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Pass Christian P&H declared illegal

BY ED LEPOMA

Pass Christian's Port and Harbor Commission is illegal. That means in the eyes of the state it doesn't exist. It's dead,

That startling news was delivered Tuesday night by city attorney Malcolm Jones with two commissioners sitting in the audience looking aghast and baffled.

Jones explained the news came to light when he was

asked by Mayor Billy Mc-Donald to research how vacancies would be filled on the Port and Harbor Commission. On the agenda was a request to resign from the seven-member board by longtime Commissioner Paul Bode, whose term was to expire April 20, 2001;

Jones said he called Alice Wise, as assistant with the state attorney general's office who specializes in municipal

"She told me she was unaware of any statute that authorized the city to create a Port and Harbor Commission, Jones said.

Jones said the assistant attorney general cited a 1996 opinion that requires the state legislature to pass a local and private bill authorizing a city to create such a Commission.

"Basically, she said the city does not and did not have statutory authority to create

"(An assistant attorney general) told me the city does not and did not have statutory authority to create the Commission...

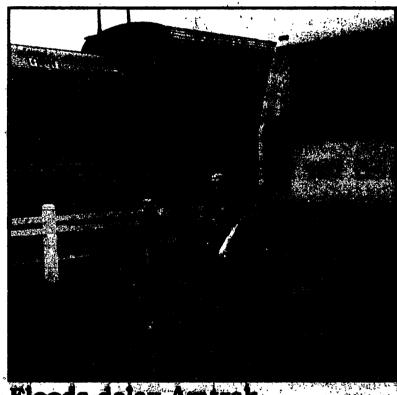
Pass city attorney Malcolm Jones

"In the eyes of the state; this board does not exist..." Mayor Billy McDonald

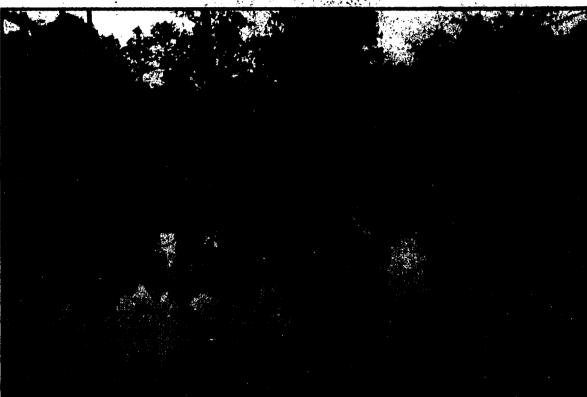
the Commission, Jones ex-(Retired) Capt. Roy Stod-

dard, who chairs the Commis-**ILLEGAL—PAGE 14**

Rains flood streets, delay Amtrak



Nearly 300 Amtrak travelers were forced to take an unexpected bus ride on Wednesday after rain washed out a rail bridge in Grand Bay, Ala. The train, which was traveling to Miami, Fla., stopped at the depot in Bay St. Louis, traveler to waiting buses. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)



Heavy rains that fell early Wednesday morning flooded several area streets, including an area bound by St. Joseph, McLaurin and St. Anthony in Waveland. Nearly four inches of rain fell in the wollen from Mond its banks in the Jourdan River Shores subdivision. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Excellent reputation factor in NASA contract

BY RICHARD MEEK

A reputation for excellence has helped Gulf Coast Fabrication land a.\$5.6 million contract from NASA.

Gulf Coast Fabrication, a company of Halter Marine located at Port Bienville Industrial Park, will begin construction of a 260-foot covered barge early in March, with delivery to NASA expected in early 1999, according to Fred May of Gulf Fabrication. The space

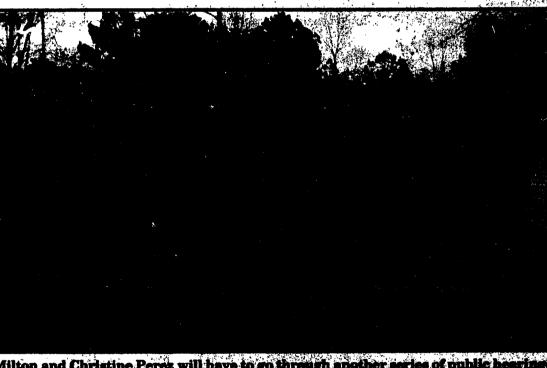
"These from boys (Hancock County) are all good people...They are all hard-working people...I would put these 400 workers up against any other 800 in the country..."

> Fred May of Gulf Coast Fabrication

agency will use the barge to transport Space Shuttle External Tanks and other cargo between its Michoud facility (located in New Orleans East), and the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, as well as other NASA facilities.

May said Gulf Coast Fabrication's outstanding crafts-manship on prestons NASA projects helped land the barge contract.

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Milton and Christine Perez will have to go through another series of public hearing before learning whether a modular home they have already placed on a lot they own on Chapman Road can stay there. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

Supervisors to decide fate of family residence

BY ED LEPOMA

A family's fate hangs in the balance after Hancock County supervisors denied a special exception that allowed them to place a modular home on property they own off Chapman Road in Shoreline Estates.

Supervisors remanded the zoning request back to the Planning Commission after county attorney Gerald Gex noted two errors were made in the original application filed by Milton J. Perez

The area in question was soned R-1 Residential when

the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance was passed last January, and any type of mobile homes are prohibited. More than 100 Garden Isles property owners signed a petition and some came to the Planning Commission public hearing in November to oppose the request for a sp tion which would allow the trailer. The vote was 41 to grant the assession, with Commissioner Ekip March vet-

ing against:

during their regular month

ly meeting Monday.
The property waster asked supervisors to stalk by the intent of the pening law.
"We were told when soming went into effect that no more trailers would be put in this area," said Shiring Seels, president of the Garde Isles Community Assecta-

She said trailers areas in to Chapman and sucre ing streets before s talk offert and bear to be

Sheriff to meet residents

BY RICHARD MEEK

Concerned Pearlington regidents will meet with Hancock County Sheriff Ronnie Peterson tonight to discuss what they perceive is a crime wave gripping the area.

Residents are complaining

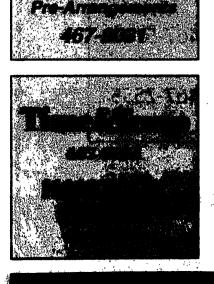
"Since the arrests, the burglaries have dwindled to hardly anything...People will begin to see better results...We feel like we will curtail the drug activity in the future...

Sheriff Ronnie Peterson

of increased burglaries and drug activity in the small community that is tucked away in he southwestern part of the

The mosting is scheduled for ? p.m. at Charles B.

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BJORN M. W. DAHL FRANK N. HAMAN JOHN MCINERNEY **EDWARD PARSONS** CLARENCE P. TENETTE ROBERT VARNADO

BJORN M. W. DAHL

Bjorn M. W. Dahl, 81, of Carriere, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, in Biloxi.

Mr. Dahl was a native of Trondheim, Norway. He was a retired merchant marine for Lykes Brothers Steamship Co. He was a Lutheran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel M. Dahl.

Survivors include two sons, John Dahl of Anchorage, Alaska, and Charles Dahl of Picayune; four daughters, Solveig D. Hutchison of Carriere, Michelle Mitchell and Charlotte Johnson, both of Picayune, and Linda Ladner of Pass Christian; 16 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 2 p.m. today at Picayune Funeral Home chapel where friends may call an hour before service time. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery in Diamondhead.

FRANK N. HAMAN

Frank N. Haman, 86, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Jan. 2, 1998, in Diamondhead.

Mr. Haman was a retired chief warrant officer with the military and a native of Pennsylvania. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church, American Legion Post 139 and DAV Chapter 50, all of Bay St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Michael and Louise

Survivors include his wife, Jeanne Haman of Bay St. Louis: and a son, Michael A. Haman of Laguna Vista, Texas.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JOHN MCINERNEY

John "Jack" McInerney, 96, of O'Callaghan's Mills, County Clare Ireland, died Wednes day, Jan 7,

He is survived by his wife, Mary McInerney; three sons, Sean McInerney and Gerard McInerney of Ireland, and Fr. Henry McInerney, of Kiln; and three brothers, Thomas McInerney, Jim McInerney, and Matt McInerney of Ireland.

A funeral service is scheduled for Saturday at St. Patrick's Church in O'Callaghan's Mills.

EDWARD PARSONS

Edward Jordan Parsons, 84. of Wiggins, died Sunday, Jan. 4,

1998, in Wiggins.

Mr. Parsons was a retired clothing salesman and a World War II Army veteran. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Belle Theriot Parons of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was Tuesday evening at Brown Service Funeral Home in Bessemer, Ala.

A graveside service was conducted Wednesday in Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Huey Town,

CLARENCE P. TENETTE

Clarence P. Tenette, age unavailable, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, in Pass Christian.

Arrangements are incomplete at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

ROBERT VARNADO

Robert E. Varnado, age unavailable, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 1998, in Gulfport.

Arrangements are incomplete at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

Society meets

Hancock County's Historical Society has scheduled its January noon luncheon meeting for Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Kate Lobrano House, 108 Cue Street, Bay St. Louis.

Guest speaker will be Mack Herring, retired public affairs officer and historian for NASA's Stennis Space Center. Herring will talk about his new book dealing with the history of Stennis and its relationship to the community, the state and the space

regreem. Reservations are \$6. Call 467-4090 before Jan. 13.



Vaccine can prevent illness

If you have ever had it, you will never forget that feeling . . . tightness in your chest, the inability to take a deep breath without feeling as if you've been run over by a train. Pneumonia is a deadly lung disease that is caused by many different components, such as bacteria, viruses and mycoplasmas.

"Each year we see an alarming number of pneumonia patients," said Dr. Richard F. Bennett. "Many of these are people at high risk, and pneumonia could possibly have been prevented by the pneumonia vaccine.

Pneumonia affects the lungs in two ways. Lobar pneumonia affects a lobe of the lungs, and bronichal pneumonia can affect patches throughout both lungs. Major types of pneumonia are bacterial pneumonia, viral pneumonia and mycoplasma pneumonia. Other diseases, such as tuberculosis, can cause pneumonia.

People considered at high risk for pneumonia include the elderly, the very young and those with underlying health problems such as chronic obstructive disease (COPD), diabetes mellitus and congestive heart failure.

"Patients with diseases that impair the immune system, like AIDS, or who have other chronic illnesses such as asthma or those who are undergoing cancer therapy or organ transplantation, are particularly vulnerable to developing pneumonia," said Dr. Bennett.

Early treatment with antibiotics can cure bacterial pneumonia and speed recovery from mycoplasma pneumonia and a certain percentage of rickettsia cases. Unfortunately, no effective treatment exists for most types of viral pneumonia. People usually have to heal on their own, said Dr. Bennett.

The pneumonia vaccine is effective in preventing invasion of pneumococcal infections and is covered by Medicare in addition

Thoughts for meditation:

I said to the man at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that

I may go forth into the un-known. And the man replied,

"Put your hand into the hand of

God. That shall be to you better

than a light, safer than a known

Britain's King George to his em-

battled people at the beginning

heart, the singing bird will

If I keep a green bough in my

Always be prepared to give

Don't let yesterday's failures

Commit to the Lord whatever

you do, and your plans will suc-

ceed. The Lord works out every-

Jesus Christ is the same yes-

Dear Lord, my world has

turned upside down; everything is so uncertain and frightening.

I am thankful for your unchanging love and constant support.

If you live for the next world,

If anyone would come after

me, he must deny himself and

take up his cross daily and fol-

low me. What good is it for a

man to gain the whole world

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to some state and private health insurance. Usually just given once, the vaccine should be considered for high-risk adults who received their first shot six years ago or more and for those who have shown to have rapid decline in pneumococcal antibody levels. Children with nephrotic syndrome, asplenia or sickle cell anemia should be revaccinated every three to five years if they are younger than 11 years old.

'Always consult with your physician about receiving the pneumonia vaccination," said Dr. Bennett. "Your physician will advise you if taking the vaccination is necessary after evaluating your health.'

Viruses cause approximately 50 percent of pneumonia cases and usually are less severe

cases of the illness than the bacterial-caused pneumonia. Viral pneumonia causes symptoms similar to influenza symptoms such as fever, dry cough, headache, muscle pain, weakness and increasing breathlessness

The onset of bacterial pneumonia can vary from gradual to sudden. In the most severe cases, patients may experience shaking and chills, chattering teeth, severe chest pains, sweats, a cough that produces rust-colored or greenish mucus, increased breathing and pulse rates, and lips or nails that are bluish in color due to lack of oxygen.

For more information about pneumonia, contact the American Lung Association at 1-800-LUNG-USA.

Former leader recovers from stroke

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dr. Gilbert Mason, a former president of the Biloxi branch of the NAACP, is recovering from a mild stroke he suffered on Christmas night.

Mason, 68, was hospitalized at Gulf Coast Medical Centerin Biloxi, where he was in guarded condition late Monday. His wife, Natalie, said Mason appears to be recovering well in the hospital's criti-

cal care unit.

"He's in good spirits," she said. "He's eating. He can get up and move around. He's not paralyzed or anything."

Mason, a physician, is a noted civil rights activist on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. During his 25 years as head of the NAACP, Mason fought to integrate Biloxi schools in the

Fund established for victim

A fund has been established at The Peoples Bank to benefit Jeanne-Marie Bell, who was hit by a vehicle while riding her bike on Central Avenue in Waveland Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Bell, an employee of the Han-

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cock County Library System, is currently in serious condition at Charity Trauma Center in New Orleans, and will require extensive medical and physical therapy.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund may do so at any branch of The Peoples Bank, or by calling Linda McKay or Mary Perkins at 467-6836, or the Waveland Library Literacy Center at 467-9240.

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Supervisors give Pearlington approval for sewerage district

Hancock County Supervisors have given Pearlington residents the go-ahead to fund and construct their own water and sewerage system, but warned them of pitfalls that might lie

At Monday's board meeting, supervisors passed a resolution asking the Hancock County Wastewater District 1 to allow Pearlington to withdraw from its boundaries. The Wastewater board will take up the matter at a meeting scheduled at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12 at the District's office on Longfellow

Perlington residents, led by Wayne Atkinson and others, have argued long and hard that it would be too costly for residents in the westernmost portion of Hancock County to link into the current conventional sewerage system.

Atkinson led off the discussion, saying, "A consolidated water and sewer system for the Pearlington Community is essential for the immediate health and welfare of the

Atkinson said a combined sewer-water system would result in cleaner drinking water with regular monitoring. He said cleaning up the pollution of waterways caused by those dumping raw sewage directly into bayous and streams and from failing septic tanks would result in overall economic benefits to all the citizens of Pearlington.

He said homeowners would see an increase in property values, a decrease in fire insurance, and would be spared the expense of installing private wells or their own sewerage treatment plant.

Atkinson brought with him Tom Johnson with the Rural Community Assistance Program, who said he has been working with the Pearlington group for several months.

Johnson said the state Department of Environmental Quality has verified contamination caused by raw sewage being dumped into bayous and streams, and water wells that are too shallow also have the potential of being contaminated.

"The area has the potential to grow and develop but without an adequate water-sewage system it cannot grow,"Johnson said.

He said he is working with the group, helping to identify potential sources for federal and state grants, and plans to assist them in the application

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand told residents she sat on the board when supervisors voted to create a separate water and sewerage district for Diamondhead.

"Once the district is created, we have no jurisdiction over it," said Cowan, except to make appointments to the District.

Board President Philip Moran cautioned residents to "be careful what you wish for."

"If this board grants this (request) and a couple of years go by and your rates go up to \$50 or \$60 a month, don't come back to

us," said Moran.
Two Wastewater District

they might vote on the request next Monday, but they had questions to ask at the public

Rocky Pullman, whose Dis-

trict 2 includes Pearlington,

said he supports the residents

plans to form their own district,

but admitted, "I'm putting my

head on the chopping block If

this thing turns to crap, then

water-sewer service could be

provided much lower than the

\$35 fee now being assessed by

Wastewater District 1, but he

felt homeowners would save

more in the long run because

their insurance rates would

Wastwater District 1, and it

was approved unanimously

However, District 1 Supervisor

Jeep Ladner said he would op-

pose the formation of a new dis-

trict if Pearlington sought to tie

into the sewarge treatment

plant that is being built to ser-

vice the Wellman plant under

construction and the General

Electric expansion taking place

Gex said it was his belief that

that Pearlington cannot tie into

the system. He said it is being

built with state bond funds and

is for the exclusive use of Port

Kiln Water District permission

to expand its boundaries 2.1

miles north in order to provide

water to Hancock North Cen-

Attorney Michael Haas Sr.,

said the water well serving the

elementary school is failing,

and the Hancock County School

District asked the Kiln District

to extend its lines. The School

District will pay for the exten-

A public hearing is set before supervisors Feb. 2 on the

Supervisors also gave the

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sion, Haas said.

He said he didn't think the

I'm going to turn to crap

Sid Davis asked county attorney Gerald Gex if the Pearlington District doesn't succeed and goes bankrupt, would Waste-water District 1 have to take them in and absorb any debt.

Gex said once the District is created, it is responsible for any debts or failings.

Johnson said new state laws in effect requires the Public Service Commission to do an extensive financial study to ensure that revenues will cover any debts or operating costs of a new

Another Commissioner, Richard Klienkiewicz, wanted to know what kind of sewerage collection system was planned, and if there were any cost estimates.

Johnson said initial estimates are that a combined water and sewerage system might cost between \$7 million and \$8 million, but the sewerage collection or treatment process hasn't been determined.

He said the cost to the customer would be determined by what kind of grants are received. "If it's a 45 percent grant, customers would have to pay more than if it's a 75 per-

Atkinson said he was hopeful that customers would pay between \$26 and \$28 a month for water and sewerage, compared to the \$35 monthly charge now assessed by Wastewater Dis-

cent grant," said Johnson.

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District corrects bat problem at Gulfview Elementary School

BY RICHARD MEEK

There were no bats in the belfry at Gulfview Elementary School in Pearlington, but the nocturnal pests were apparently attempting to set up residence in the school's gym.

The bats entered the gym through unknown parts in late December, and school officials have been working since then to dispose of the uninvited guests. Ladner said on Tuesday she beleived the school's custodians and employees from Moran Hauling may have finally shooed the bats away.

"I believe it's been all taken care of," Ladner said. "I have no dea where they were getting

Ladner said the students were kept out of the gym since the bats were first discovered. However, the school's basketball team is preparing to begin its season, so district officials said a remedy was quickly

In other district news:

A five-year association between the district and attorney Steven Benvenutti may soon be dissolving. During a board meeting on Monday hight, board member Tony Caston suggested either Benvenutti reduce his rates or the district explore the possibility of hiring an attorney whose fees may be

Benvenutti currently charges the district \$80 per hour, and has been instrumental in guiding the district through two pending lawsuits. The first is an emiment domain proceeding that is scheduled for a hearing on Monday.

Benvenutti, who has a private practice in Bay St. Louis, has also been the lead attorney for the district in its legal clash with the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission over claim to property adjacent to Hancock High School and Stennis International Airport. That case is currently being decided by the state Supreme Court.

The district paid Benvenutti over \$20,000 in legal services

"We would be remiss if we didn't look for ways to save taxpayers' money," Caston said. There are attorneys around other districts who do it for substantially less money.

"I would like to see if (Benvenutti) would compromise."

Benvenutti countered that he thought the district "was getting a good deal" at \$80 an hour. He added that he was considering raising his fees on court time and litigation.

Benvenutti admitted he wished he would have had another attorney handle some of the litigation with the property dispute.
"You probably would have

paid more than \$80 an hour," he said. "It's all business. I don't look at it as personal. There are other clients willing to pay me \$100 an hour, and there are only so many hours in a day.'

The board agreed to retain Benvenutti for 90 days at \$80 an hour while searching for another board attorney. It is still conceivable Benvenutti would be retained after that period.

Cheryl Bennett was reelected board president and Caston secretary.

Woman injured in bike accident

BY RICHARD MEEK A Waveland woman was in in

Charity Hospital in New Orleans after being struck by a car while riding her bicycle last Tuesday afternoon.

Jeanne Bell, 45, was riding her bicycle on Central Avenue on Waveland when she was struck by a car driven by Christopher Schneider, 18, of Bay St. Louis, Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell said. Varnell said Schneider had apparently ooked down at his radio, and when he looked back up, saw Bell and was unable to avoid triking her. Bell was taken to Hancock

Medical Center and later transerred to Charity. She suffered a

Tax relief?

District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman of Pearlington has sked fellow supervisors "to nake a New Year's resolution to ry and lower taxes by three nills" in Hancock County next

The supervisors agreed to ower the millage, but wouldn't efinitely commit to a threenile **decreas**e.

Supervisors have also asked he local legislative delegation o sponsor a bill in the current ession that would raise the omestead exemption from the resent \$60,000 to \$75,000.

broken pelvis

Varnell said the accident left Bell's helmet in pieces.

"If not for the helmet, (Bell) would have been in a lot more serious condition," he said. Varnell said no charges have

been field.

The Waveland Police Department, Waveland Fire Rescue and AMR responded to the incident. Patrolman Howard Parker and Lt. Kevin Mcintosh investigated at the scene.

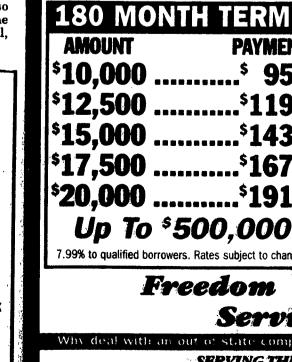
Keeps officers

For the third straight year, Hancock County Supervisors re-elected District 5 Supervisor Philip Moran as president of the Board and Distrrict 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand, vicepresident. Supervisors also reappointed Gerald Gex as the board attorney and Larry Seal, the county engineer.



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"CUEVAS" **QUOTES**"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

The Bay St. Louis Little Theater will hold its annual membership meeting Saturday, 7 pm. at the playhouse, 301 Boardman Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

The meeting is for members and prospective members for the Little Theater, which has been in operation for many years.

There are a number of new residents to the area, and some may be interested in joining a "fun-time" group.

The Bay theater will also have the election of officers for the coming year at Saturday's meeting.

I know several of the Little Theater folks, and they always welcome new members.

In case you are interested, the Little Theater is located in the Cedar Point area off Dunbar Avenue. There is a sign on Dunbar showing the direction to the theater. For further information, contact Donna Mellott.

467-5901. The Hancock County Livestock Arena is moving closer and closer to reality with the county receiving a \$155,000 grant from the Mississippi Agriculture Department. The Hancock County Board of Supervisors

budget. The Navy Seabees have already begun site preparation for the livestock arena on 80 acres off the Kiln/ DeLisle Road.

has set aside a matching sum of \$155,000 in the current

The grant will help in starting construction of the facility which should benefit the entire county.

More funding is necessary, and our supervisors are already working to secure more monies to complete the project.

I know there are a lot of folks who have put a lot of time and effort into an arena for Hancock County, and I am sure they are awaiting it becoming a reality.

Beginning tomorrow Girl Scouts will be out in the area taking orders for cookies.

This is an annual national fund-raising drive for Girl Scouts.

For each box of cookies sold by the Girl Scouts, a certain amount is retained by the local troops, a portion is used to pay for the cost of the cookies, and a small amount for awards for the cookie sales. The balance is for Direct Services for the girls and volunteers through camping, programs, trips, training/recognitions, wilderness opportunities throughout the nation, careeroriented events and many other activities.

Our Girls Scouts are part of the Gulf Pines Girl Scout Council, Inc., with headquarters in Hattiesburg.

There are many Girl Scouts in our area, and some of the annual activities take place at Buccaneer State Park.

So, be prepared to order your Girl Scout cookies in the days ahead. Remember, you are helping a very fine organization of young ladies, who will be our leaders of tomorrow.

And then the rains came, Monday Tuesday and Wednesday. How many more days is anyone's guess.

I cannot understand how lazy some folks appear to be.

A prime example is a couple of residents living on the 300 block of Carroll Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

They rake leaves and then leave them at the curb. With recent heavy rains, the leaves cause water to flood the avenue. If the leaves were not there, water could flow down the curb.

All they would have to do is place the leaves in a trash bag, and the garbage man would pick them up. That would only take very few minutes, but I guess laziness is more important.

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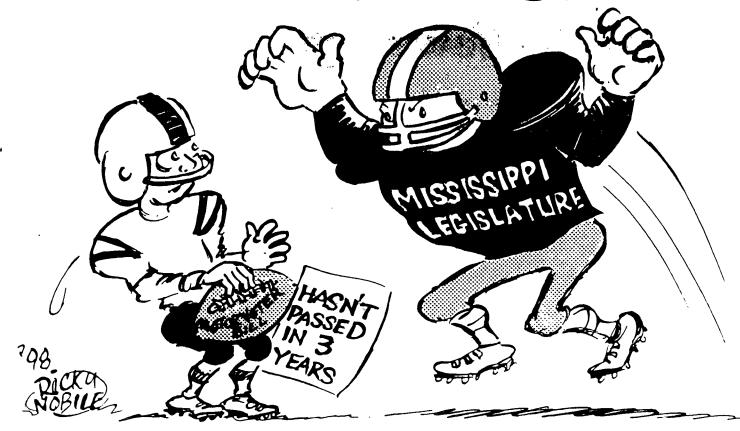
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Old issues dominate Legislative opening

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"I don't know of any major bones of contention, any real controversial issues," said Sen. Terry Burton, D-Newton.

But Burton adds, "we never expect any fireworks and always end up with some." Campaign finance reform may get quick consideration in the Senate, said Judiciary Committee chairman Bennie

Turner, D-West Point. Now. candidates statewide offices must only identify the source of donations of \$500 or more. A Senate bill would lower that to \$200 and put more restrictions on giving by out-of-state political action committees.

"There is certainly the perception of problems," Turner said. "When you look at the reporting threshold we're out of step with the overwhelming majority of other states.'

Some statewide officials are leading the pash for changes.

"I think a combination of the scandals in Washington that have shown the abuses in fundraising across the country, plus the fact that we will have a statewide race a year from now with an open governor's seat, makes the timing right," Secretary of State Eric Clark said.

Insurance Commissioner George Dale, who has complained about costly campaigns, said while he is optimistic something will be done, "I do not anticipate as many things being passed as need

The campaign finance changes are among quite a few issues awaiting lawmakers. Others include:

-Conforming state election law to the federal Motor Voter system designed make voter registration forms widely available. For three years the House Elections Committee has failed to act on the bill, but leaders say passage is likely this year.

-Speeding up executions. Mississippi has not executed anyone since 1989, and lawmakers have tried to address the situation. Gov. Kirk Fordice named a task force last year, which prepared pro-

posals for lawmakers. -Changing the system for youth court offenders. Some senators would like a unified youth court which would standardize prosecution statewide. Now, treatment of troubled

youth varies by county. The issue has dominated discussions in recent years but died for lack of funding.

Turner said sweeping changes are again unlikely because House members oppose the cost.

"I don't see that the necessary political strength and leadership is there to get anything done this session. I do think it will come, I just don't see it this year," Turner said. I think it's a serious problem, it's a growing problem. Eventually it's going to demand attention."

Lawmakers also are expected to again consider authorizing more nursing home beds and fund the second year of a promised three-year teacher pay raise.

The Adequate Education Act, considered the top accom-

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cerns by Fordice, who vetoed the bill. "We passed a convoluted

plishment of the 1997 session,

could be reviewed amid con-

piece of legislation, and it needs fixing. We didn't do it the right way," said Sen. Dick Hall, R-Madision, Appropriations Committee chairman.

The state budget is projected at \$3.1 billion.

We have more money than we've ever had and seemingly more needs than we've ever had," he said. "Santa's list seems to get longer and longer. It's still the same old thing, the trick of making it balance.'

The three-month session will be Fordice's sixth, and he goes into it with fewer requests.

No longer calling for sweeping tax reduction or specific lawsuit limits, he does want a restriction on state borrowing, a change to appointed instead of elected transportation commissioners and a new program for teaching children how to read.

He also endorsed things already being pursued by some lawmakers, including a constitutional amendment address ing victims' rights and creation of a statewide trauma care

Politically, more conflicts with lawmakers are possible for the Republican Fordice, who is not eligible to run for a third term and has angered legislators with an outside the capitol push for term limits, aimed solely at the Legislature.

Lt. Gov. Ronnie Musgrove is expected to continue his emergence as a gubernatorial candidate for 1999, and several senators, including Hawks, R-Hernando, Hall, eye his job. House Ways and Means Committee chairman Charlie Williams, R-Senatobia, is also planning a run for governor.

House Speaker Tim Ford, D-Tupelo, faces a decision about his political future, as well. He is serving his third term as speaker.

When the Mississippi Legislature convened Tuesday, more old issues than new ones were pending.

Campaign finance reform, the need for more nursing home beds and election law changes that have been repeatedly hashed over in recent years may be debated againand possibly put to rest in the upcoming session.

Letters Welcome

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste. Only one letter per writer per month will be published. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions

of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriete for the Letters to the Editor columns.

-Ellis C. Cuevas, publisher

THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS

EC A Weekly Editorial

From Mississippi Economic Council

County Government hitched to horse and buggy

When Mississippi's Constitution was written in 1890 mules pulled wagons over rural dirt roads. Many people had never traveled more than a few miles from where they were born. Ice houses were urban conveniences, and the telephone had been invented only four years earlier.

The state was slowly emerging from the ravages of the Civil War, and the state's Constitution reflected an effort to wrest control from the federally imposed government.

The Constitution's framers chose a county government system of five supervisors elected by districts. There were no options.

There still aren't. Cities have choices. Counties don't.

Mississippi has changed in 108 years. Today's counties are multi-million dollar enterprises and supervisors, who are parttime employees, oversee everything from hospitals, E-911 emergency systems and iff's budget.

And let's not forget that supervisors are road builders in counties that don't have a county unit system. Graveling roads get them elected.

But a growing number of urban-area supervisors would like to shed the "good ole boy" image that too many rural county supervisors developed. And they want a system that

meets modern needs. "Things have changed," the president of an urban county board of supervisors told the Mississippi Economic Council. "I'm not a road builder. I'm an administrator who oversees a large budget with a variety of departments, and I have a tremendous responsibility not only to those living outside the city limits, but to those inside.

"The present system is antiquated, and voters should have the option of selecting other forms of government.'

He's right. Cities do, but counties don't.

The constitutionallymandated county government structure stands as a barrier to modernization and prevents any meaningful efforts at efficiencies.

It's time for the Legislature to address this need and authorize a constitutional amendment to be placed on the ballot that would allow citizens of a county to choose alternative forms of government, including the choice of merger or consolidation of governments and governmental functions.

The world is about to move into the next millennium, but Mississippi's system of county government remains hitched to vesteryear's horse and buggy. .

Technicalities

By State Auditor Phil Bryant

GENERAL

ficer have authority to make an arrest without a warrant based on probable cause that would lead the officer to believe a felony was committed?

opinion to Graham dated Nov. be made? 14. 1997)

Q When must interest charges be added to delinquent ad valorem tax payments?

A When not received or post marked by Feb. 1 or the next working day if Feb. 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holi-

day. (§27-41-9 and §25-1-107)

Q When must notice be pub-

Q Does a law enforcement of lished of tax sales maturing in April? A At least 45 days prior to

maturity. (§27-43-3)

Q Must cellular telephone A Yes. (Attorney General's bills be itemized for payment to

A The governing board may determine what will suffice as itemization as long as is is detailed for kind, quality and

In the case of telephone bills, this should include date, time, number called and the charge for each call. (Attorney General's opinion to Tally dated July 7, 1995)



Noto plaque

District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner(left) presents a plaque honoring the long years of service to Hancock County by former deputy Pete Noto, who served under five administrators and as bailiff at the Hancock County courthouse for 20 years. Daughters Shirely Corr, Gloria Cook, Ruth Herron were on hand, along with granddaughter, Sandra LaFontaine. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma) By Margaret Williamson



Didn't our three billboards look great this Christmas? As part of Project Lights, Christmas lighting in Diamondhead wants to thank Diamondhead Academy, our Girl and Boy Scouts (and their moms) and the Diamondhead Garden Club president Deborah De Long and her husband.

The decor in the landscaped bed in front of the Yacht Club, topped off by a great sign made by Gene Sullivan, was made possible by the Diamondhead Women's Club.

Marilyn Cuccia volunteered her time and expertise to make it a great display. The club will continue to help make this an annual event.

None of it would have been possible without the generous donations of individuals, social clubs and our business and professional folks.

And, how very much we ap-

preciate Jim Le Duc's cooperation and all the work Darrell Kinchen, Andy Wise and the others in our maintenance department did to put it all together. Much thanks to everyone!

MARDI GRAS AROUND THE CORNER

Diamondhead now has three Mardi Gras crews looking forward to their many merrymaking events, parties and balls to celebrate this year's Mardi Gras on Tuesday, Feb.

The Krewe of Diamondhead's parade is Saturday, Feb. 21 starting at noon with "Music, Maestro, Please" as their

All entries are welcome. Six lucky people will be sharing the royalty honors for the next year.

Mr. and Mrs. William Clemons are the king and queen of the Krewe of Diamondhead.

Mrs. Jesse (Pat) Morgan and Mickey Jordan are king and queen of the Diamondhead Boaters Association, and Mrs. Dusty (Ruth) Rhodes and Larry Dollar are king and queen of the Krewe of Selene, Diamondhead's newest organization.

We wish them all a wonderful

A GREAT START

TO A NEW YEAR Despite a dismal and rainy morning, those attending the special gathering at St. Thomas Episcopal Church were rejoicing to hear in words and music another beautiful version of

"The Greatest Story Ever Told." Thanks so much to Mses. Trimble, Carswell and Saussy, Sue Stewart and the ladies of the church for presenting such a program.

WELL DONE Our sincere congratulations go out to Tina Stiglet, a receptionist in our Diamondhead POA office, for being selected the Employee of the Year in

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COURT NEWS

Bay St. Louis **Municipal Court**

COURT DATE DEC. 17 Eakins, Valorie, bad checks, amended to misdemeanor bad

check, fined \$646. Benoit, Chevelle, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant.

Carter, Charles, running a stop sign, fined \$54.50. Carter, Robert, contempt of

court, dismissed. Carver, Marsha, revocation of

suspended sentence, dismissed. Foretich, Anthony, speeding; seatbelt violation; driver license, none, expired, improper, failed to

Gautraux, Keith, revocation of suspended sentence, dismissed. Graham, Darrell, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Grisham, Theresa, contempt of

court, final judgment, failed to court, failed to appear.

Haas, Kevin, improper load, amended to improper parking; fine suspended.

Huey, Dwight, bond jumping, time served.

Hunter, Don, revoke of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Jones, Daniel, simple assault,

dismissed; license tag expired, none, improper, fined \$78; improper equipment, fined \$46.50. Kennedy, Clarence, revocation of

suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Keppard, Cathy, revocation of

suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Kitchens, Thomas, contempt of

court, fined \$69. Laneaux, Kendall, reckless driving-careless, passed to the files. Lewis, Dawn, revocation of sus-

pended sentence, dismissed. Lewis, Rick, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Luxich, Melvin, revocation of

suspended sentence, dismissed. Monroe, Anthony, open container, failed to appear. Moon, William, reckless driving-

careless, amended to improper equipment, fined \$34; no motorcycle endorsement, dismissed. Rowell, Noel, revocation of sus-

pended sentence, time served. Saucier, Paul, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear,

bench warrant. Smith, Melvin, contempt of court, fined \$149.

Vaughn, Donner, revocation of suspended sentence, failed to appear, bench warrant. Wilson, Michael, trespassing,

not guilty; simple assault, fined Alexander, Brain, speeding,

failed to appear.

Aurard, Robert, speeding, fined

Battle, Michael, driver license, suspended, failed to appear.

Bermond, Raymond, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; public drunk, fined \$146. Bernhart, Raymond, improper equipment, driver license, sus-

pended; failed to appear. Bindoff, Ian, simple assault,

Blaize, Tracy, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; improper equipment, fined \$46.50. Blanton, Victor, seatbelt violation; license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear.

Bradley, Tranmetris, disorderly conduct, judgement, failed to

Copus, Guy, failure to dim lights; driver license, none, expired, improper, fined \$46.50. Dedeaux, Kysha, driving with-

out headlights, failed to appear. Ellis, Joshuhai, improper lane usage, fined, \$54.50. Fayard, Bethany, speeding,

Haas, Douglas, contempt of a failed to appear.

Hay, Douglas, contempt of a failed to appear.

Walker: Daring running a stop to urt, failed to appear.

Fox, Dale, license, tag expired at sign; driver license; none; expired, are improper, failed to appear.

Gobuzzi, Kim, improper equipment. dismissed.

Haggard, Deborah, speeding, fined \$64.50. Herron, Harlon, reckless driving-careless, failed to appear.

Jewell, Stanley, seatbelt violation; running a stop sign; improper equipment, driver license suspended for DUI; license tag expired, none, improper; open container, false pretense, time served.

Johnston, Richard, license tag expired, none, improper, dismissed

Ladner, Tracy, driver license suspended; expired tag; failed to appear. Lanier, Pamela, shoplifting, 1st

offense, affidavit withdrawn. Lee, Terry, driver license suspended for DUI, fined \$350.50; re-

ckless driving-careless, fined Lewis, Patrick, reckless drivingcareless, dismissed; driving under the influence, 1st offense, fined

\$400.50. Matherne, Louis, license tag expired, none, improper; running a stop sign, failed to appear.

McNeely, Daniel, speeding, failed to appear. Meeks, Patricia, open container, fined \$99.

Mele, Joseph, improper equipment; seatbelt violation, dismissed. Milligan, Virginia, license tag expired, none, improper; driver license, none, expired, improper; seatbelt violation, failed to appear. Mitchell, Otis, reckless driving-

careless, fined \$49.50. Moody, Jeffery, driving without headlights, fined \$54.50. Nguyen, Thuan, improper lane

usage, fined \$64.50. Mungesser, William, reckless driving-careless, failed to appear.

Parks, Thomas, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to appear. Peterson, John, open container,

failed to appear. Potee, Earnest, improper equip-

ment, dismissed. Rogers, Rodney, license tag expired, none, improper, fined \$78. Schwartz, Cameron, driver license, none, expired, improper; improper equipment, dismissed. Seiley, John, speeding, fined

Smith, Melvin, improper equipment, dismissed; driver license, suspended, fined \$224.50; posses sion of paraphernalia, fined \$249. Spafford, James, improper

equipment, dismissed. Thorntone, Melissa, license tag expired, none, improper, dismissed.

Trigg, Michael, public drunk, fined \$146. Tudor, James, improper equipment, dismissed.

Vaughn, Pandra, speeding; child restraint, dismissed.

Weinmann, Thomas, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to

Welborn, John, speeding, failed Welsh, Ronald, running a stop

sign, fined \$54.50. West, Pamela, speeding, fined

Whavers, Ricky, speeding, fined Wilkinson, Charles, license tag expired, none, improper, failed to

appear. Winningham, Benny, driver license, suspended; improper equipment, filed to appear.

Murtagh unhurt

Hancock County Tax Assessor Eddie Murtagh escaped serious injury Monday after a twocar accident that sent two

others to the hospital. "I feel like Brett Favre on a Monday morning," said Murtagh. "But, I'm okay."

In Monday's rain, Murtagh pulled out onto U.S. Hwy. 90 from St. John Street when his car collided with an oncoming eastbound car.

Bay St. Louis police identified the other driver as Chiquita Acker of Pearlington, and her 17-year-old brother. They were taken to Hancock Medical Cen-

ter and released. No charges were filed in the accident. Both vehicles were

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Floyd Mayweather and Hector Arroyo square off

The remarkable Jeanne "Boom Boom" Martinez returns to action when she takes on undefeated Texan Tina Bryan Friday, Jan. 9 at the Biloxi Grand Theatre. The women's bout is scheduled for four rounds.

In the 10-round main event, 1996 USA Olympian Floyd Mayweather (12-0-0, 10 KO's) of Las Vegas will take on Hector Arroyo (16-4-2, 9 KO's) of Puerto Rico. This will be undefeated Mayweather's first main event. Mayweather will have his uncles Roger (a three-time world champion) and Jazzy Jeff (who once fought Oscar De La

Hoya) in his corner. Mayweather has been sharp in his last three bouts, stopping Luis Leija of San Antonio, Fleipe Garcia of Mexico, and Angelo Nunez of Sacramento.

Jeanne "Boom Boom" Martinez (1-1-0, 1 KO) is the former school girl superstar at Riverdale High in Kenner, where she was MVP of the varsity basketball and softball teams. She now lives in Slidell.

"I've always liked boxing as a kid, and while growing up my favorites were George Forman and Ray Mancini," Martinez

"I've worked hard in the gym,

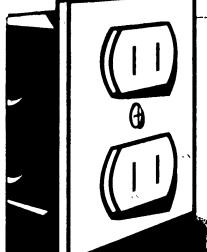
lost a lot of weight, and have gotten myself into top fighting condition.

Once weighing 215 pounds, Martinez now boxes professionally at a 144-pound welterweight and will take on undefeated Texan prospect Tina Bryan (1-0). Bryan, living and fighting out of Sickersville, La., is also a Texas kick-boxing champion.

The Grand Casino Biloxi boxing card will also include highly regarded super middleweight Will McIntyre of New Orleans. McIntyre is a 9-1, 3 KO prospect who is scheduled to box in a sixround bout with a yet-to-benamed opponent Also appearing will be undefeated Billy Ray Gates (6-0, 6 KO's) from Mobile. His opponent is also yet to be named.

Tickets are now on sale at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Box Office (1/800-WIN-2-WIN) and at all TicketMaster outlets. Ticket prices are \$10/upper balcony, \$15/lower balcony, \$30/general floor, and \$45/ringside

The doors will open at 7 p.m. The first bout is scheduled to begin at 8 p.m.



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Soccer roundup

Stanislaus blanks Picayune

SSC 7, Picayune 0 The St. Stanislaus Rockachaws shut out the Picayune Maroon Tide 7-0 Tuesday night

in high school soccer action. Justin Wadsworth scored twice and had two assists for the Rocks.

Edward Flores, Jonathan Gagnon, Mark Gagnon, A.J. Pace and Ronnie Vanney all scored as St. Stanislaus remained undefeated in district play at 9-0. The team is 12-2 overall.

Nick Benvenutti and Mark Gagnon had assists in the game. Neil Favre recorded the shutout in goal.

The Rocks are scheduled to play in Petal at 6 p.m. tonight.

OLA 8, Picayune 1 Our Lady Academy improved its record to 9-2 with a one-sided 8-1 victory over the Lady Tide Tuesday night in Picayune.

Kristin Cannon and Leslie Esher scored three goals each for the Lady Crescents. Missa Chapoton and Missy McPhail also scored for OLA. Picayune's goal came on a penalty kick.

The team is scheduled to play at Oak Grove Saturday at 1

OLA 5, Pascagoula 0 Kristin Cannon scored three times as the Our Lady Academy Crescents shut out the Lady Panthers in Pascagoula 5-0 last Saturday in high school soccer

Ashley Artigues and Julie Reboul rounded out the scoring for OLA. Lynn Dubuisson earned the shutout in goal.

"Jill Rutherford, Missy McPhail, Emilie Scianna and Mikki Kenny gave a great defensive effort," coach Karen Hunt stated. "Emily Meyers and Leslie Esher passed and worked the ball while Ashley Christman and Julie Reboul pushed the ball up field."

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So. Miss and Ole Miss finish in top 25

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Southern Mississippi and Ole Miss, which both won their postseason bowl games, were each ranked in the final Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN conlege Tootball polls released Saturday

The Golden Eagles (9-3) were ranked 19th in both of the major polls, marking the first time in school history that they were listed in a final poll. Prior to its 41-7 victory over Pittsburgh in the Liberty Bowl on New Year's Eve, Southern Miss was 22nd in both rank-

Ole Miss (8-4) was not ranked in either poll at the end of the regular season. But

the Rebels finished 22nd in poll polls on the strength of their last-minute 34-31 victory over Marshall in the Motor City Bowl on Dec. 26.

It is the first time since, 1992 that two Mississippi teams were ranked in the final

In 1992, Ole Miss finished 16th and Mississippi State was 23rd. Before this season, that was the last ranking for Ole Miss.

The Rebels spent one week in the AP poll this regular season, at No. 25, after winning 36-21 at LSU to improve to 4-2. But they lost to Alabama at home the following week and fell out of the poll until

Southern Miss was in the AP poll for four weeks during this regular season, peaking at No. 22 before the final poll.

Mississippi State (7-4) which lost its last two games and was left out of the postseason, got votes toward both polls. The Bulldogs ranked 33rd in both polls, of 40 teams getting votes in the AP writers' poll and 41 teams in the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll.

The Bulldogs, who lost their chance for an Southeastern Conference Western Division title by losing to Arkansas and Ole Miss their last two games, were ranked for four weeks this season. They peaked at No. 15 after their 7-2 start.

Schools may be punished for fight

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Officials must decide whether to punish schools in the wake of a weekend high school basketball game that took on the flavor of a pay-per-view wrestling event.

Shelby Broad Street was hosting Mound Bayou's John F. Kennedy High School Saturday night when two players began fighting early in the fourth quarter.

That led to a brawl that included both players and fans who jumped off the gymnasium stage and joined in the melee. Fans were seated on the stage due to an overflow of spectators in the seating areas. At least one fighter used a folding metal chair.

Security guards and school officials struggled with the combatants for several minutes before clearing the floor.

Game official Eddie Johnson said that an incident report will be filed with the Mississippi High School Activities Association. The incident could result in sanctions against both schools.

Only minor injuries were reported and the game was delayed about 45 minutes. Shelby Broad Street eventually lost 68-55,

"I want to apologize for both teams," said JFK head coach Jimmy McKnight. "This is not the way it's suppose to be. I know it's a rivalry game, but this shouldn't have happened. We take responsibility for our players, but we can't control what the fans do. Someone could have been hurt out there.

McKnight said at the time

of the fight, one of his players ``felt he was roughed up.'

"Outside of that, there was just too much commotion to really see who did what," he

Broad Street coach Isaiah Peterson said the game officials should shoulder some of the blame for the fiasco.

"I told the officials before this game even started that this was a big rivalry. Personally, I don't think the officials did a very good job in controlling the tempo of the game., Everybody saw how physical this game was all night long.

Something was bound to happen," Peterson said.

"I do know one thing, when this thing broke out, my players stayed on the bench and theirs (Kennedy's) did not. They ran out on to the floor and got in it."

Security officer Frederick Dawson said six fans were removed from the building. No arrests were made.

After the floor was cleared, Broad Street girls' coach Willie Washington pleaded with the crowd to settle down over the public address system for several minutes.

Packers fans place calls from stadium for tickets

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Before they even left Lambeau Field after the Green Bay Packers victory over Tampa Bay, some fans placed calls on their cellular phones seeking to get to San Francisco for next weekend's game with the 49ers.

"We have people on cell phones calling us from the stadium," said Emilie Wrobleski of Packer Fan Tours, the

team's official travel agency. The agency already had chartered a plane and arranged tickets for the National Football Conference championship game next

Wrobleski watched all but the last few minutes of the victory on television before driving over to the travel agency to deal with the post-game euphoria.

Sea Wolves trade Mann

The Mississippi Sea Wolves have traded Troy Mann to Hampton Roads of the East Coast Hockey League. Mann has 14 goals, 11 assists and 25 penalty minutes in 37 games. In exchange the Sea Wolves will acquire left wing Mike Mayhew.

Mayhew is 6'3" and weighs 220 pounds. Last season he

played in Mobile with a record of 16 goals, 22 assists and 215 penalty minutes in 55 games. He played one game with Kansas City of the International Hockey League.

During the 97-98 season in Mobile he has a record of 10 goals, 6 assists and 93 penalty minutes in 23 games.

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BETWEEN THE LINES

By Richard Meek

History is little more than an interpretation of events of a certain period of time.

So it is with fascination to ponder how history will define the post-seasons in college and professional football this year.

First, you had a deserving Heisman Trophy winner torpedoed by one network's campaign to save an insipid show.

Then, one of the NFL's great running backs was unjustly forced to share the league's MVP award.

Finally, the college pollsters, in what seemed to be an effort to make everyone feel good, or more aptly, unsatisfied, failed to come to a consensus and named two national champions.

The result is a year of the Co-s, as in Co-MVP, and Co-National Champions. All that is missing is co-Heisman Trophy winners.

That honor should have been bestowed to Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning. He began the season as the favorite, and after a shaky start against Flordia, rallied his team to 10 consecutive victories and a No. 3 ranking.

He epitomizes what is good about college football, which makes him a fading commodity in a sport that is growing increasingly tainted.

By midseason, it was obvious Manning had lapped the field in the Heisman race. But this presented a potential ratings disaster for ESPN, which had scheduled an incredibly boring and worthless hour-long Heisman

Without suspense, there would be no reason for Joe Fan Anitturned out even with suspense, there was no reason for anyone to watch 60 minutes of silliness.

With that ratings apocalypse looming, it was imperative yards after two games. ESPN create a challenger to

les Woodson had a strong midseason game against Penn State, and thus was picked to be the network's David going

against the Manning Goliath. ESPN used its influential platform to adroitly orchestrate Woodson's campaign, and when the final votes were tallied, Manning was a stunning runnerup. The pompous assert that for anyone to claim the Heisman fiasco of this year had caused the entire process to lose some of its integrity is a case of Manning fans being sore losers.

But there are the same aristocrats who think anyone south of the Mason-Dixon line is named Bubba, chews tobacco and drives pickup trucks.

Manning was clearly served a dish of injustice, but maintained a tremendous amount of class through the whole sordid saga. That came as no surprise, as his parents and brothers exemplify class in a family.

Detroit running back Barry Sanders was also victimized by voters apparently afraid to vote their convictions. Sanders deserved the MVP honor to himself, and not be forced to share the award with Green Bay quarterback and Hancock County native Brett Favre.

At the risk of sounding blasphemous in Favre's own backyard, the former Hancock High quarterback did not deserve a share of the MVP, although he had another outstanding fall campaign.

Sanders, who is finally getting his just recognition as one of the greatest running backs in NFL history, had a year in which he rushed for at least 100 vards in a record 14 consecutive games. The diminutive Sanders finished with over 2,000 yards, a remarkable feat considering he had rushed for over just 50

Favre has an ars Manning. It so happened that pons from which to choose. He Michigan defensive back Char- has an outstanding running

Post season awards disappointing

back in Dorsey Levens, and can always find Mark Chmura roaming free somewhere in the middle of Lambeau Field.

By contrast, Sanders is an island. Lion quarterback Scott Mitchell makes Heath Shuler look like an all-pro, so defenses are aware Sanders is the Lions' only offensive threat and will line up with eight and nine-man fronts to stop him.

With a lack of a passing game to open up the running lanes, and a bull's eye on his back, Sanders still managed one of the greatest years every by a NFL running back.

He is finally sharing the same elite pedestal as Jim Brown, Walter Payton, and some of the other NFL greats. The MVP award should have been his moment to shine,

Michigan and Nebraska will also have to share the college spotlight. Michigan deserved a better fate, as the Wolverines woke up on New Year's Day No. 1, took care of business in Pasadena, and yet were still demoted by the coaches.

Nebraska was impressive against an obviously hobbled Manning, but Michigan did nothing to deserve being penalized by the coaches. However, the coaches' poll was clearly a case of the coaching fraternity closing ranks to honor one of its

Cornhusker coach Tom Osborne strategically announced that his Miami date with Tennessee would be his last game. That obviously tilted the sentimental scales Nebraska's way. There was no way that Osborne's fellow coaches would not sent him out with a national championship if the Huskers defeated Tennessee. Even a last second victory over the undermanned Vols would no doub have been enough to earn Osborne his third national title as

voted by the coaches.

The poll travesty only demonstrates even further a need for a college playoff.

The postseason, with its naming of award winners and crowning of champions, is always a time of anticipation, much like the Christmas season it parallels. But this season was like waking up on Christmas morning and finding Santa had not delivered the bike you had requested.

NFL playoff prediction — Forget the hype about San Francisco, Green Bay will win easy in windy Candlestick on Sunday.

It was surprising Tampa Bay played the Pack so close last week, but that only served as a wake-up call to Favre and his playmates. The 49ers' offense, which has slipped in recent years, will have little success against a peaking Packer defense.

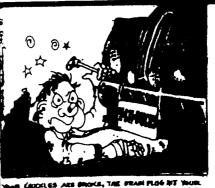
Trying to block Packer lineman Gilbert Brown is like trying to block a brick wall.

Look for a Green Bay rout in the Bay, and an even bigger rout in San Diego.

Denver is the sentimental choice of many because Bronco quarterback John Elway is in the autumn of his Hall of Fame career minus a Lombardi Trophy on his mantle. But the Broncos will fall victim to a Pittsburgh team that has hopped on "The Bus." Jerome Bettis will carry the load Sunday against Denver, but suffer a blowout against the Packers in the Super Bowl.

Predictions: NFC Championship: Green Bay 31, San Francisco 10.

AFC Championship: Pittsburgh 10, Denver 3. Super Bowl: Green Bay 42, Pittsburgh 14.



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Basketball roundup

Pass defeats St. John

Rudy Bell scored 25 points and had seven steals to lead Pass Christian to an 85-61 victory over St. John on Tuesday

night. The Pirates sit atop District 8-3A with a 4-1 league mark. Pass is 10-8 overall.

Sammy Morgan added 12 points and Kentrell Bell 11 for the Pirates. Each also had four assists.

The Pirates led 19-13 at the end of the first quarter, and a 23-12 rally in the second gave Pass Christian a 42-25 halftime

lead. In other games:

Oak Grove 40, Hancock 38 The Hawks' furious fourth quarter rally fell short in Hancock's Division 7-4A loss at the Hawk gym. Hancock is 3-14 overall, 1-6 in league play.

The Hawks were tied at four at the end of the first quarter but fell behind 22-8 by the half. At the end of three quarters, Hancock trailed 30-19.

Donnie Carver was the only Hancock player in double figures with 21 points. Carver was nine of 15 from the field and three of six from the free throw line. He was the only Hawk to attempt a free throw.



Fight opens Magic complex

Arthur Williams (left) defended his "SBA cruiserweight title Tuesday night in the first event in Casino Magic's new entertainment complex. Williams defeated Adolpho Washington in a 12-round unanimous decision. The event drew a near capacity crowd of 3,500 and a national television audience on USA network. The Williams-Washington was one of seven bouts. (Photo by Michael Reeves)

GIRLS

Bay High 64, Pearl River Central 33 — Chanda Halev scored 28 points in the Lady Tigers' easy victory in a game originally scheduled to be played at Bay High but later switched to PRC.

Christina Bradley added 14 points, eight rebounds and four steals for Bay High, 20-1, 7-1. Hancock 68, Oak Grove 51

— The Lady Hawks remained one game behind Bay High in the Division 7-4A race with a division victory over the Lady Warriors.

Hancock is 13-5 overall, 5-1 in league play.

Jessica Pucheu and Mindy

Ladner combined for 36 points for Hancock. Pucheu scored a game-high 20 points and Lad-ner added 16. Pucheu also had 13 rebounds, 10 assists and seven steals

St. John 42, Pass Christian 32 - Leslie Smith was the only Lady Pirate in double figures with 12 points in a nondistrict game at Pass Christian.

Pass Christian fell to 8-12. The Lady Pirates are 0-5 in league play.

Beginner tennis lessons

Beginner tennis lessons for kids ages 6-13 are being offered beginning Jan. 12 on the St. Stanislaus courts in Bay St. Louis.

The lessons run for six weeks on Mondays and Wednesdays and last one hour, beginning at 4:30 for ages 6-9, and 5:30 p.m. for ages 10-13.

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Legendary Motown vocalist Smokey Robinson to perform

William "Smokey" Robinson, one of the most prolific singersongwriters of the late 1950s, 60s, and 70s, will be performing at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Jan. 29-30 at 7:30 p.m.

Robinson wrote and produced most of the Miracles 27 Top 40 hits, including "Shop Around" and "Tears of a Clown." He also wrote memorable songs like "My Girl," "The Way You Do the Things You Do," "My Guy," and "Ain't That Peculiar" for other Motown artists.

Additionally, he won Grammy Awards for many of his songs including "You Really Got A Hold On Me," "I Second That Emotion," "Tracks of My Tear," and "Ooh Baby Baby."

Singing and writing songs since age 13, when he first teamed with a group of junior high school friends in Detroit to form the Miracles, Robinson and his group performed locally through their high school careers. It took meeting local record producer Berry Gordy that set the group on a professional music track.

The Miracles' second release for Gordy and his newly formed Tamala/Motown label, "Shop Around," (1960) was the first Tamala/Motown record to top the national charts. It was followed by another 38 Top 40 hits before Smokey quit the group in 1972. Robinson was inducted into the "Rock and Roll Hall of Fame" in 1987.

The 1991 release of his album, "Double Good Every-thing," on SBK Records marked the start of a new era for this Motown legend. In this album Smokey presents 10 new pop/

soul gems that are perfectly contemporary.

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"My songs are written about love," says Smokey, "and it's an everlasting subject . . . love always has significance, it never

goes out of style. Tickets are \$30/floor and \$25/balcony and are available at the Biloxi Grand Theatre Box Office (1-800-WIN-2-WIN) and at TicketMaster outlets.

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Rhodes, Johnson named Whitney Bank presidents

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In making the announcement, William R. Allison, Chairman and CEO, said, "Dusty has worked with our bank for many years. He has a wealth of experience and knowledge of the Hancock County community. He will continue to be a valuable asset to us in this new management position."

Rhodes joined the former Merchants Bank and Trust Company, which became part of the Whitney Bank family this past October, in 1969 after earning a BS in business and finance from the University of Southern Mississippi. He also graduated from the School of Banking of the South at Louisiana State University.

A native of Bay St. Louis, Rhodes has been married for 28 years to the former Mimi Jeffery and they have three sons. Actively involved in the com munity, Rhodes, se boards for Hancock Medical Center, the Hancock Chamber of Commerce and the St. Stanislaus Progression Corporation.

Robert L. Johnson has been lected president National Bank of Mississippi. In making the announcement, William R. Allison, Chairman and CEO, said, "We are fortunate to have a professional of Bobby's caliber join the Whit-

ney team. There are many growth opportunities for us in Mississippi, and under Bobby's leadership I'm confident that we will be successful."

Johnson joins Whitney with over 16½ years of bank experience with AmSouth, and \$18 billion bank holding company headquartered in Birmingham. He began his career with Am-South as a branch manager trainee and held many retail and sales management positions in the corporation. Most recently, he was the area consumer and business banking sales manager for AmSouth's West Coast Florida area.

A native of Greenville, Ala., Johnson holds a BS from the University of Alabama and an MBA from Samford University in Birmingham. He is also a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. He is

married and has one child. Whitney Holding Corporation, whose stock is traded on the NASDAQ exchange (WTNY), is the holding company for wholly owned banking

siseipei, Alabama, and Florida. The Whitney now operated over 100 banking locations in this four state Gulf Coast region including souther Louisiana; the coastal region of Mississippi; Mobile, Montgomery and the Alabama Gulf Coast region; and the Pensacola area of Florida. The Whitney, which has been in continuous operation since 1883, currently has assets of approximately \$4.2 billion.

Consumers can expect lower telephone rates

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BellSouth will increase rates for directory assistance and collect calls but customers across the state should see a decrease in their telephone rates, company officials say.

The cost of local directory assistance calls will climb a nickel, from 35 cents to 40 cents. There will also be slight increases for busy-line verifications and busy-line interrupts, as well as, operator assisted calls.

"These changes are necessary as we build out our infrastructure to meet the increasing costs of providing customer service and enhancing our phone network," said J. Kelly Allgood, president of Bell-South Mississippi.

Most Mississippians' telephone bills will go down 85 cents to \$1.20 a month this year, BellSouth officials said.

Under a new plan announced Wednesday, touch tone charges will be eliminated for residential customers, as will fees used to defray the cost of providing telephone

service to rural areas. "If you're not a big bells-

and-whistles user, you ought to see a decrease," said Randy Tew, communications specialist with the Mississippi Public Utilities staff.

In addition, subscriber line charges for residences will be reduced from 50 cents a month to 40 cents a month. It's the first step in what is expected to be a complete phaseout of the charge as telephone service competition increases.

BellSouth officials said subscriber line fees were instituted in the 1980s after the breakup of AT&T as a means of covering costs of wires and related facilities necessary to connect to local telephone networks. The cost had previously been absorbed through long distance fees.

The latest reductions are the result of a new pricing plan ordered by the Mississippi Public Service Commission in 1995. The plan will reduce aggregate BellSouth rates \$33.6 million by 2002,

officials said. Tupelo area BellSouth customers who pay bills in cash will also face a 25-cent charge per payment beginning this

Taxpayer workshop

A seminar titled "1997 Taxpayer Relief Act" will be presented Monday, Jan. 26 from 8:30-11 a.m. at the Gulf Coast **Business Technology Center at** 1636 Popps Ferry Road in

Registration and continental breakfast will be from 8:30-9 a.m. The seminar presentation will be from 9-11 a.m. Gregory L. Nordstrom of Nordstrom and Associates will be the

The fee is \$5 pre-registration by Thursday, Jan. 22 or \$10 after the registration deadline. Payments should be made at and checks payable to the Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, 1636 Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS 39532.

For information, call 392-9742 Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Coast tourism impact approaching \$3 billion

County Tourism Commission unveiled the results of a 1996 Visitor Profile Study in a press conference this week, at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center to a standing-room only crowd of community leaders and members of the tourism

We are thrilled to now know that the Mississippi Gulf Coast tourism industry is nearly a \$3 billion industry generating almost 20 million person visits annually," said Stephen B. Richer, executive director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau. "We are equally as pleased to learn that our visitors divide their expenditures in a way that gaming is a significant, but small, portion of their experience.'

"The best news is, however, that our continued growth is as-

Officials with the Harrison sured because the Mississippi Gulf Coat product exceeds national performance standards for excitement, climate, safety, beauty and affordability," Richer continued.

The study was conducted by Longwoods International, a leading travel and tourism research and marketing company based in Toronto, Canada. The study was based on a national panel of 200,000 households who are surveyed quarterly as part of the Travel USA Montior, which measures travel habits and visitor expenditures.

Longwoods clients are based from Mexico to Maui, from New Orleans to Alaska and include other gaming destinations such as the state of New Jersey, Louisiana, and the cities of Atlantic City and Reno/Lake

the nearby New Palace

"Most properties are proba-

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Bruce Nourse, vice president

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to the Coast. Any new business

Ralph Engelstad hopes his

1,100-room hotel will usher in

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fill about 40 percent of his

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travelers and the remaining

20 percent will go to casino

customers and conventioneers.

increased capacity to attract

the wholesalers," said Steve

Richer, executive director of

the Mississippi Gulf Coast

Convention & Visitors Bureau.

There are about 10,000 hotel

and motel rooms on the Coast,

Richer said. "He (Engelstad)

alone will increase the capaci-

greatly accelerated with the

planned opening late next year

of Mirage Resorts' \$600 million

as is the case with Engelstad's

Las Vegas Strip property, will

be targeted to budget travel-

ers. And the 70,000-square-

foot casino, equipped with 63

gambling tables and 1,613 slot

machines, will not cater to pre-

America," Engelstad said.

"We go after middle-

The Imperial Palace hotel,

Beau Rivage hotel-casino.

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However, Ferrucci does

Imperial Palace owner

Engelstad said he plans to

Imperial Palace will cut into profits at exsisting casinos

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Imperial Palace's debut on the Mississippi Gulf Coast will cut into the business of the 11 other local casinos, industry officials say.

The casino resort will include a high-rise hotel, movie theaters, a 700-seat showroom and other amenities. The casino temporarily opened its doors on Tuesday.

"It's going to water down the market," said John Ferrucci, general manager of

Construction workshop scheduled

Bay St. Louis Building Official Bill Carrigee will present a construction workshop at the Bay St. Louis Depot Jan. 22, 6:30 p.m., preceded by refreshments beginning at 6 p.m.

The workshop is offered free of charge to contractors in all building disciplines, suppliers and the general public.

The agenda includes an explanation of the State Contractors Law; 1997 changes in all model standard codes and reoccurring problems found on routine inspections.

"Bay St. Louis wants its contractors and the public to be informed about industry, state and national code changes that may affect their future building

The workshop presents the best opportunity for getting important information to the public," said Mayor Eddie Favre.

Please notify the Permit Office, 228-467-3081 if you plant to attend.

Halter acquires deck company

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Halter Marine Group Inc. has acquired a Gulfport-based company that designs and manufactures an extensive line of marine deck equipment, officials say.

McElroy Machine & Manufacturing, a subsidiary of New Jersey-based Predco Inc., makes equipment for commercial, fishing, government and military vessels.

"We are thoroughly familiar with the high quality products and services of McElroy because Halter is one of McElroy's longtime, satisfied customers," said John Dane III, president and CEO of Halter Marine.

McElroy's operations will be integrated into Halter's new Engineered Products Group, Dane announced Thursday.

Gulfport-based Halter Marine owns 20 shipyards in Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Mississippi. The company specializes in the design, construction, conversion and repair of commercial, government, and military vessels.

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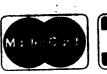
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI RICHARD P. HAGEN, PLAINTIFF

UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF OPHELIA PASSALA-OUA HAGEN, decessed, DEFENDANTS SUMMONS NO. 97-1000 THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO The Unknown Heirs at Law of OPHELIA PASSALAQUA HAGEN, deceased
You have been made a Defendent in the trivisul filed
in this Court by Richard P. Hegen, Plaintiff, seeking
Judgment Establishing Heirs at Law.
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND
AGAINST THIS COMPLAINT OR PETITION FILED
AGAINST THIS COMPLAINT OR PETITION FILED
AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK,
AM ON THE 9 DAY OF FEB., 1998, IN THE COURTHOOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN
CASE OF YOUR FAILURETO APPEAR AND DEFEND
A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU
FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED
IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION. IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER

sued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this ay of December, 1997

OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BY: LARRINELL SCARBOROUGH, D.C. DATED: 12-31-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARSHALL
JOEL HOUGH, JR., DECEASED
LOUIS VICTOR GIBSON, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CAUSE NO. 97-0932
Notice is hereby given that LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the estate of MARSHALL JOEL HOUGH, JR.,
Deceased, were cranted to the undersigned by the

Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 8th day of December, 1997, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clark of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the niam.

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OŘ, B. BOWAN BRACH, MRS. B. BOWAN BRACH, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS,

CEPENDANTS

PUBLICATIONS SUMMORES

ONTO. CALVEC NO. 988988

TO: (a) Dr. B. Bowen Black, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Missescipii, whose last irrown address, both post office and steed address, 4416 SL Pater Black, New Orleans, Louisians 70119, after different search and inquity, and if he he dead, his unknown heirs at law or quelesses, whose names, lest incom addressess, both post office and street addressess. both post office and street addressess. our heirs at law or devisions, whose names n addresses, both post office and street as are unknown. After diligant search and inquis Mrs. B. Bowen Brach, if alive, who is believed to non-resident of the State of Massissippi, who known address, both past office and street address 416 St. Peter Street, New Orleans, Louisiens igent search and inquiry, and if she be deed, his on heirs at law or devisees, whose names, les unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose name is the deed, his unknown heirs at law or devisees, whose name acknown addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown. After diligent search and inquiry: (c) Any and All other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to the hereinefter described and

Lot 3, Block 6, Jourden River Shores, Phese 2, as per the official plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hencock County, Messissippi in Plat Book 3 at page 64. You have been made defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by A. Elmer, Ill, plaintiff, whose address is c/o George H. Lipscomb, Jr., P.O. Box 2114, Bay St. Louis, MS 38521.

The other defendants in this lawsuit is the State of Mississippi.

Mississippi.

The compliant filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seaking to quiet and confirm title. You are required to file with the Centr of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the compliant; and in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either maded or hand delivered to George H. Lipscomb, Jr., Plainteffs' attorney, whose advises is P.O. Box 2114. Bay St. Louis. MS 39521. YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THERTY DAYS AFTER THE 8th DAY OF JANUARY, 1986, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUAMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO FILED, MALIED OR DELIVERED, A

NOT SO FILED, MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT WITNESS my signature and official seel this 6th day January, 1998.

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TER AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, INSESSIPPI

There came on for consideration the meter of a
patition by more than trienty-five (25) owners of real
property of areas adjacent to the Kiln Water and FreProtection District of Hencock County, Mississippi, a
copy of which is on file in the office of the Chancery
Clerk, Whereupon Supervisor Philip Moran offered and
moved the adoption of the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION TO FIX A TIME AND PLACE FOR A
PUBLIC HEARING LIPPON THE DISTRIPM OF THE

PUBLIC HEARING UPON THE QUESTION OF THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY OF AN NEXING AREAS TO THE KILN WATER AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF HANCOCK COUNTY

MISSISSIPPI
WHEREAS, there has been filed with the Bigard a pettion signed by not less than twenty-five (25) owners of real property, residing within the boundaries of the prop-posed areas to be annexed to the Kith Water and Five Protection of Hancook County, Mississippi; WHEREAS, said petition meets the requirements of the law, and the owners of all individual tracts containing 150 acres or more inclined in said Pastition.

60 acres or more joined in said Petition; WHEREAS, this Board finds that a public-hearing should be held upon the question of the public conveni-ence and necessity of the annexation of the proposed areas to said District;

afeas to said District, NOW, THEREFORE, BEIT RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be held upon the question of the public convenience and necessity of the annexation of the proposed areas to said District, and that said hearing shall be held at ten o'clock (10:00) A.M. on February 2, 1008 of the Board of Supressions pressions seen at 1995, at the Board of Supervisors meeting room in the County Court House in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, pur-suant to Mississippi Code of 1972, Sections 19-5-151,

seq.

The boundaries of said proposed areas to be annexed to said District are as follows: EXHIBIT 1-A

EXHBIT 1-A

Commencing at the point of intersection of the South line of the SE½ of the SE½ of Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and the middle point of the Right of Way of Mississippi State Highwey No. 603, said point being the Point of Beginning go east 100° to point; thence go northerly and always 100° east of the middle point of the Right of Way of Highway 603, to the point where Highway 603 intersects an estension of the Northerly right of way of Catahoula Road, thence go westerly to and along the North ROW of said Catahoula Road to the riversection of the point where said ROW in-Road to the intersection of the point where said ROW in Road to the intersection of the point where said ROW intersects the range line between R14W, and R15W, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence Southerly 60' more or less to the South ROW of said Catahouta Road; thence Easterly along the South ROW of said road to a point which is 100' West of the middle of the ROW for Highway 603; thence Southerly along Highway 603 and always 100' West of the middle of the ROW of Highway 603 to a point 100' west of the P.O.B; thence is pet said 100' to the POB, being a part of Sections 19, 30, 31, TBS, R14W, Hancock County, Mississippi

EXHIBIT 1-B

Point of Beginning being located at the Intersection of Highway 43/603 and US interstate No. 10, Section 8, T8S, R14W, Hancock County, Misatissippl, thence go easterly along the ROW of I-10 to the intersection of the Jourdan River, thence go Southerly following the meandering of the Jourdan River until it intersects Beyou La Croix: thence go weatherly along Bayou La Croix: thence go weatherly along Bayou La Croix: until it Probit thence go westerly along Bayou LaCrook until it ntersects the middle of the ROW of now Mississippi Highway 43/603; thence northerly along the middle ROW of Highway 43/603 to the POB, being located in Section 8, 17, 18, and 19, all in TBS, R14W, Hancock

County, Mississippi.
That the boundaries of said District with said annexed. eas included therein are as follows:
DISTRICT BOUNDARY AFTER ANNEXATION

DISTRICT SOUNDARY AFTER ANNEXATION (INCLUDES AREAS 1A and 1B)
Beginning at the Southwest comer of Section 13, Township 7 South, Pange 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North along the West line of said Section 13 to the Northwest comer thereof; thence West along the South line of Saction 11, Township 7 South, Range 15 West to the Southwest corner thereof; thence North along the West line of said Section 11 to the North line of the South 1/2 of said Section 11; thence East along said North line of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of Section 12, Township 7 South, Range 15 West; thence East along said North line of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 to the East line in of said Section 12; thence North along said Lest line of said Section 12; thence North along said East line and along the West line of Section 8, Township 7 South, Range 15 West; thence South sort said East line and along the West line of Section 8, Township 7 South, Range 14 West to the Northwest corner of said East line and along the West line of Section 6, Township 7 South, Range 14 West to the Northwest comer of said Section 6; thence East along the North line of said Section 6 to a point 100 feet West of the middle line of the right-of-way for U.S. Highway No. 630 (as measured perpendicular to said middle line); thence Northerly and always 100 feet West of the middle of the right-of-way of said Highway 603 to the South right-of-way of Catahoula Road (located near the North line of Section 30 Township 6 South, Range 14 West); thence Westerly

along said South right-of-way line to the range line between Range 14 West and 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippit thence Northerly 60 feet, more or less, to the North right-of-way of Catahoula Road; thence Eastery-along said North right-of-way line and extension thereof to a point 100 feet east of the middle line of said Highway 603 (as measured perpendicular to said middle line); thence Southerly and always 100 feet East of said middle line of Highway 603 to the North line of Section 6 Township 7 South, Range 14 West; thence Easterly along said North line of Section 6 to the North-east comer thereof; thence South along the East line of said Section 6 to the Southeast comer thereof; thence said Section 6 to the Southeast corner thereof; thence East along the North line of Section 8, Township 7 South, Range 14 West to the Northeast comer thereor; thence South along the East line of saxt Section 8 and the East line of Section 17. Township 7 South, Range 14 West to the Southeast corner of Section 21 Township 7 South, Range 14 West; thence South along East line of Section 21. Township 7 South, Range 14 West; thence South along East line of Section 21. Township 7 South, Range 14 West, to the Southeast corner of Section 21; thence Continuing South along the East line of Section 28 to the North line of the John Babitate Larder Claim #8/J. thence East along the North line East line of Section 28 to the North line of the John Babtiste Ladner Claim #40; thence East along the North line of the John B. Ladner Claim in Township 7 South, Range 14 West to the Northeast corner of claim; thence South along the East line of said original land grant to its intersection with center line of Rotten Bayou stream; thence Southwesterly and along the meander of the thread of stream of Rotten Bayou to its confluence with the center line or meander of the Jourdan River; thence southerly along the centerline of the Jourdan River; thence southerly along the centerline of the Jourdan River; thence southerly along the centerline of the Jourdan River the Bayou LaCroix; thence go westerly along Bayou LaCroix until it intersects the middle of the right-of-way of now Mississippi Highway 43/603; thence Northerly along the middle night-of-way of Highway 43/603 to the along the middle right-of-way of Highway 43/603 to the North right-of-way line of Interstate #10; thence Easterly along said North right-of-way line of Interstate #10 to the Eastern boundary line of Mississippi Highway #603; Eastern boundary line of Mississippi Highway e603; thence Northwesterly and along the Eastern line of said Highway to the South boundary of Section 6, Township 8 South, Range 14 West; thence West to the Southwest corner of said Section 6; thence West to the half Section line of Section 1. Township 8 South, Range 15 West; thence North along the half Section line of Section 36 and 25, Township 7 South, Range 15 West to a point on the South line of Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 15 South line of Section 24, Township 7 South, Range 15 West to the Southwest corner of Section 24; thence North along the West line of Section 24 to the Southwest corner of Section 24; thence North along the West line of Section 24 to the Southwest corner of Section 13, Township 7 South, Range 15 West to the South of Section 13, Township 7 South, Range 15 West to the point of beginning. to the point of beginning.

LESS AND EXCEPT the tracts of land subdivided LESS AND EARLEPT the tracts of land subdivided and designated as Jourdan River Shores Phase One, and Phase Two, on file at the Chancery Clerk's office of Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:

EXCEPTION (Jourdan River Shores Phase I and Phase III)

Phase II)
Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Northwest
1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 7
South, Range 14 West; thence West along the North
boundary of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of
Section 36, Township 7 South, Range 15 West, 954.16 Section 36, Township 7 South, Range 15 West, 954, 16 feet to its intersection with the East right-of-way of Mississippi Highway #603, thence South 2872872 East along the East right-of-way of Mississippi Highway #603, 254,22 feet; thence South 35°34'35" East along the East right-of-way of Mississippi Highway #603, 254,22 feet; thence South 28728'25" East along the East right-of-way of Mississippi Highway #603, 860,0 feet, more or less, to its intersection with the North boundary of the Jourdan River; thence Northerly along the meandering of the boundary of said Jourdan River to its intersection with Holden Lake; thence Southerly, Westerly and Northerly along the meandering boundary of Holden Lake to its intersection with Jourdan River; thence Southeasterly and Northeasterly elong the meandering of the North boundary of Jourdan River; thence Southeasterly and Northeasterly elong the meandering of the North boundary of Jourdan River to its intersection with the East line of Lot 40, Square 17. Phase II of Jourdan River Shoras; thence Northeasterly along the East line of said Lot 40 and Lot 1, Square 8 of its intersection with the East line of Lot 40, Square 11, Phase II of Jourdan River Shores; thence Northeasterly along the East line of said Lot 40 and Lot 1, Square 8 of said Phase II to the West line of Bayou Talls; thence Northwesterly along said West line to the North line of Section 31, Township 7 South, Range 14 West; thence West along said North line 554 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 32 of Square 4 of said Phase II; thence South 00°18'48" East, 668.8 feet; thence West 1400.06 feet thence South 600 feet to the point of beginning. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clark of the Board be, and he is hereby directed for cause this resolution to be published in the See Coast Echo once a week for at least three (3) consecutive weeks, prior to the date of such hearing.

of such hearing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the area proposed to be annexed described in Exhibit 1-A shall exclude Fire Protection Services as the area is currently being adequately served by Post 58 Fire District. Following the reading of the foregoing resolution, Supervisor Rodnick Pullman seconded the motion for adequation. The President of the Board then put the questions and the public process of the put the public process of the put the public put the public process of the put the public put the put the public put the public put the public put the public put the put the public put the public put the public put the public put the put the put the public put the put the public put the put Supervisor Hodrick Fullman securiod then put the ques-idoption. The President of the Board then put the ques-tion to a roll call vote, with the following result. Those voting Yes: Supervisors Lyonie Lader, Rod-nck Put

Those voting No: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

The motion having received the affirmative vote of all of the members of the Board of Supervisors, the President declared the motion carried, and the resolution adopted this the 5th day of January. 1998.

Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Missiesippi, this the 5th day of January. 1998.

Timothy A. Keller Clark, Board of Supervisors Heropock County, Miselssippi By, Terry E. Guenard, D.C. 1-8; 1-15; 1-22-96

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississipol 39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the per-sonal µopeny of µynds Cook, whose last throw address was 1586 E. 2nd Street, Pase Christian, MS 39571. An auction shall take place at 1-00 o'clock p.m. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, on the 28th day of January, 1996.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland MiniStorage, 926 Heghwey 90, Waveland, Mississippi
39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Donna Wesson, whose last know address was 2236 Dawson Road, Yulee, Ft. 32097. An
auction shell take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at BayWaveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland,
Mississippi 39576, on the 28th day of January 1998.

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Notice is bareby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the per-sonal property of Lynn Weatherford, whose last know address was 3207 Jeres, Saches, TX 75048 An auc-tion shall take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage; 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, on the 28th day of January, 1998. 1-8-98 HOTICE

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland MiniStorage, 826 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississipo 39578, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the per-sonal property of William Burton, whose last know ad-dress was P.O. Box 156, Pearlington, MS 39572. An auction shall take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39578, on the 28th day of January, 1998.

NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bay-Waveland NOTICE IS HERIEBY GIVEN that Bay-Waveland, Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39578, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of Frank Zarvas, Jr., whose lest know address use R.R. 87, 80x 113E. Rd 8004, Charlotte CH, VA 23823-8721. An auction shall take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, on the 28th day of January, 1996.

Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway. 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the per-sonal property of David Cox, whose last know address was 29002 16th Section Road, Kin, MS 39571. An auc-tion shall take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, on the 28th day of January, 1996.

Notice is hereby given that Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi 39576, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the per-sonal property of Spencer Clinton, whose last know ad-dress was 11013 Ioaland Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. An auction shall take place at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at Bay-Waveland, Mini-Storane, 926. Hirohway 90. at Bay-Waveland Mini-Storage, 926 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippl 39576, on the 28th day of January, 1998.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FADA KATH-LEEN MYNHER GILMORE M/W FADA MYNHIER MUNICI. DECEASED

MUNICI, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

OF FADA KATHLEEN MYNHIER GILMORE
a/Va FADA MYNHIER MUNICI, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 970947

Letters of Administration having been granted on the
9th day of December, 1997, by the Chancery Clerk of
Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon
the Estate of Fada Kathleen Mynhier, Gilmore a/Va
Fada Mynhier Munici, deceased, notice is hereby given
to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and
registered according to the law within 90 days from the registered according to the law within 90 days from the date of first publication of this notice, or they will be fore-

This 15th day of December, 1997
ANTONIA LOUISE MUNICI
JOHNSON & JOHNSON, P.A.

501-255-2026 (FAX)

1-1, 1-8, 1-15, 1-22-98 IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAY H. EGAN EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

JAY H. EGAN CAUSE NO. 97-0982 Latters Testamentary having been granted on the 29th day of December, 1997, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Missiesippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Jay H. Egan, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of the said Court for problem of the programment of the pro ate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be

This the 31st day of December, 1997. GAYLE S EGAN Executrix of the Estate of Jay H. Egan 1-8, 1-15, 1-22; 1-29-98

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
BY VIRTUE of the authornty vested in me as Substituted Trustee in the deed of trust given to HANCOCK
BANK, Beneficiary. James R. McIlwain, Trustee, by
GRACE G. LESLIE, dated November 20, 1995, and recorded in Book 442 at Page 586 of the Records of Mortpages and Deeds of Trust on file in the office of the
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississipp and;
Whereas default having been made in the terms and
conditions of said deed of trust and the entire indebted
ness secured thereby having been declared to be due

ness secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust, and HANCOCK BANK, the holder of the note and deed and HANCOCK BANK, the holder of the note and deed of trust, having requested the undersigned substituted trustee so to do, I will on January 9, 1998, within legal hours at the main front door of Hancock County Courhouse in Bay St. Louis. Mississippi, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, to wit Lots 8 and 9, Square 330, SHORELINE PARK SUB-DIVISION, Unit No. 3, Addition No. 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of sald subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississisppi.

County, Mississippi.
TOGETHER with the following described personal property and all additions and replacements thereto: 1969 44x12 Montego Mobile Home, Serial No.

I will convey only such title in and to the above property as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee SIGNED, POSTED AND PUBLISHED this the 18th ERNEST G. MARTIN, JR.

ENNEST G. MARTIN, JR.
Substituted Trustee
An appointment of Substituted Trustee, dated
November 13, 1997, is filed for record in Book 497 at
Page 429 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of
Trust on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hanords County Mississippi Trust on the en process of the cock County Mississippi.
12-18; 12-25-97, 1-1, 1-8-98

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF MANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WMEREAS, on the 19th day of August, 1994, FREDDIE LEE BYRD, SR., AND WIFE, TERESA ANN BYRD
executed a certain Deed of Trust unto William F Jones,
trustus, MAGNOLIA FEDERAL BANK FOR SAVINGS
A CORPORATION Remificiary to secure an indebtedrustie, MAGNOLIA FEDERAL BANK FOR SAVINGS, A CORPORATION, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described which Deed of Trust is recorded in Book 416, page 189, of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds-of Trust on Lands on life in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Harncock County, Mississippi, and WHEFIEAS, on the 9th day of January, 1997, MAGNOLIA FEDERAL BANK FOR SAVINGS, assigned said Deed of Trust to MAGNA MORTGAGE COMPANY, which assignment is recorded in Book 472, Page 671, of the Records of Mertgages and Deeds of Trust on Lands on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and WHEFIEAS, on the 24th day of January, 1997, the Beneficiary appointed Cy Feneca as Substitute Trustee which instrument is recorded in Book 473 at Page 302 of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Lands on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and:

County, Mississippi, and; WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of a portion of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust hav-

Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust having declared all of the amount due and having requested this sales for the purpose of paying said indebtedness or as much thereof as said sale brings;
NOW THEREFORE, I. CY FANECA, Substitute Trustee, will on the 9th day of January, 1998, within lawful hours, being between the hours of 11.00 O'Clock AM, and 4:00 O'Clock P.M., offer for sale and will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in the City of Bay St. Louis, State of Mississippi, the following described real property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 119, 120, and 121, SILVER CREEK ACRES, a subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County,

Mississippi togethar with all improvements thereon and appurteances thereunto belonging.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Sub-

stitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 12th day of De-CY FANECA, Substitute Trustee 12/18; 12/25/1997, 1/1, 1/8/1998

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Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI JOSPEH TORRES AND VIVIAN J. TORRES,

VERSUS
AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMNG ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE
FOLLOWING PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN BENG LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPL SAID PROPERTY BEING SOLD FOR TAXES
ON AUGUST 18, 1991, DEFENDANTS
SLIMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-0971
TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
TO: Any and all Persons Having or Claiming any

TO- Any and all Persons Having or Claiming any

TO: Any and sell Persons Herving or Claiming any legal or Equitable Interest in Lot 7, Matiand Point, Phase 2, White Cypress Lakes, Hancock County, Mississippi, Percel No. 0415-1-01-001.000 You have been made a Defendant in the surfitled in this Court by Joseph Torres and wife Vivian J. Torres Plaintiffs seeking tax sale confirmation of Lot 7. Mailand Point, Phase 2. White Cypress Lakes, Hancock County, Mississippi, Parcel No. 0415-1-01-001.000. Defendants other than your on this action are Indiand. Jakes Redants other than you in this action are Indian Lakes Re sort Inc. Indian Lakes Development Co., Marilyn Mar

sort Inc. Indian Lakes Development Co., Manhyn Marno 1011 Land Development, Inc. Como Caranna in his capacity as District Attorney for Hancock County. Mis-sissippi, and Make Moore, in his capacity as Attorney General for the State of Mississippi. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written in sponse to the Complaint filed against your this action to ERIC D. WOOTEN, Esquire, attorney for the Plantiff, whose post office address is Post Office 660. Gulfport Mississippi, 39502-0660, and whose street address is 2301—14th. Street. Suite 600. Gulfport, Mississippi 39501.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIV-ERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 01 DAY OF JANUARY, 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMON IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIV FRED A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE EN TERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.
You must also like the original of your response with
the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time

Issued under my hand and seal of Court, this the 23 ay of December 1997 TIMOTHY A KELLAR

Chancery Clerk
Hancock County Mississippi
By L Scarborough

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SUDIE PANDORA HOUGH, DECEASED
LOUIS-VICTOR GIBSON, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CAUSE NO. 97-0933
Notice is hereby given that LETTERS TESTAMENTARY on the estate of SUDIE PANDORA HOUGH, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the
Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the
8th day of December, 1997, and all persons having
claims against said estate are hereby notified to present claims against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar

THIS the 8th day of December, 1997 Louis Victor Gibson

Alfred R Koenenn Meadows, Riley, Koenenn & Teel P O Box 550 Gulfport, MS 39502 (601) 864-4511 State Bar Number 4237

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervi-sors of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, until 2 00 p m., February 2, 1998, for furnishing to Hancock County LP Gas for the period beginning at the date of acceptance of said bid until December 31, 1998, or until acceptance of said bid until December 31, 1998, or until a new bid is accepted, as follows, to-wil Liquid Propane - for furnishing as ordered by the County Wholesale LP Gas and vehicle conversion installations as set out in "Proposal for Furnishing the County Wholesale LP Gas and Vehicle Conversion Installations" on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk, Alancock County Courthouse, 150 Main St., Post Office Box 429, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. Bid specifications are available, upon request. Irom the Office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County Courthouse, 150 Main St., P.O. Box 429, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520 or call 467-0172. All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the

All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope BID ENCLOSED state the item bid on and the The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids

Hancock County: Mississippi, this the 5th day of Jahuary 1998 (Seal)

Timothy A. Kellar Clerk, Board of Supervisors Hancock County, Mississippi By Terry E. Guenard, D,C 1/08, 1/15/98

Public Notice

STATE OF MISSISSIPP

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
NOTICE OF TRUSTER'S SALE
WHEREAS on April 3, 1984, Dr Pat L Bordeion executed a dead of Irust to Robert L Genin, Jr., Trustee for
the benefit of Russell J. Elliot and wife, Marion Orte El-

the benefit of Russell J. Elliot and wife, Marion Orthe El-bott which deed of Irust is recorded in Book 262 pages 873-876. Records of Montgages and Deeds of Trust on Land. Hancock. County, Mississippi; and WHEREAS default having been made in the terms and conditions of sald deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness having requested the undersigned. Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder together with attorney's fees trustee's fee and expenses of sale

NOW THEREFORE, I will, on January 27 1998, within legal hours (between 11 00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. within legal hours (between 11 00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) ofter for sale and sell to the bighest bidder for cash at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Lous, Mississippl, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippl, toward Lots 1 2 3.6 and 7. Block 8, ETTRO SUBDINISION, as per the official plat thereof on ties in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippl Together with all and singular the nights, privilegas, improvements and apoutenances to the same before

nents and appurtenances to the same belong ing or in any wise appertaining.
I will convey only such little as is vested in me as Trustee
ADVERTISED POSTED AND DATED this, the 1st

day of January 1998 ROBERT L. GENIN, JR., TRUSTEE Favre Genin & Scafide PO Box 70 Bay St Louis, MS 39520 (601)467-5481

1/01, 1/08, 1/15, 1/22/98

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
AND Trenchard, Plaintiff v.
Lole S. Develle, etale, Defendants
PUBLICATION SUMMN
(Service by Publication
Residence Unknown
CASE NO. 97-0880

CASE NO. 87-0800

TO: Loia S Develle, if alive, whose last known post office and street address is 4909 Gregorie Street, Mataine, LA 70002, and whose present address, both post office and street address, is unknown after diligent search and inquiry; and if dead the unknown heirs at law of Loia S Develle whose post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; any and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest to the hereinafter described land and property, whose street addresses and post office addresses are unknown to Complainant after diligent search and inquiry.

address is c/o 806 Highway 90 East, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 alleging legal ownership to the following described properly and seeking to quiet and confirm title: Lot 9, Block 1, Unit 7-A, Diamondhead; Phase 2, Lot 9, Block 1, Unit 7-A, Diamondhead; Phase 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on tife and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to David M. Necaise, Plaintiff's Altomey, whose address is P.O. Box 2036, Bay St. Louis, MS. 39521.

MS 39521
YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIV-ERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 1ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIV-ERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE EN-TERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT

You must also file the original of you Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 29th day of December, 1997

TIMOTHY A KELLAR CLERK OF THE COURT KIM BONANO DEPUTY CLERK 1-1, 1-8, 1-15-98

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JESSIE M.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO 970983
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters lestamentary having been granted on the 29 day of December, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executrix on the estate of Jessie M. Favre, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to peasent the same to the Clerk of the Courte Probate and registeration according to law within nines (99) does from the date of the first publication of the

deys from the date of the hard to or they will be forever barred This 29 day of December, 1997 GAYDELL CUE BEYER 01/01, 01/08, 01/15/98

WATERFRONT LOTS! ● OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE! On-site sewage, low down payment, 10% interest up to 20 years! For more information, call PATSY **DUBUISSON, 467-0244.**

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tions. Call Vi today. \$64,500 BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME!! In the heart of Waveland on these double lots. Call Tiffany for details NEW CUSTOM HOME!! Berber & ceramic tile floors. Huge master bedroom and bath. Sunroom over-looking deck and hot tub, 3 BD/ 2 BA. Call Wendy \$159,900.

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12 LOTS! GREAT BUILDING SITE, contact Peggy Hollier for details, \$11,000. #85000. Area 4

LARGE PARCEL OF LAND with a 2 bedroom home. Home needs TLC. Close to schools & shopping in Waveland. \$18,000. Call Jackie Holifield. #82576. Area 2

NICE LOT WITH PRETTY TREES in Pass Christian! Pecan, magnolias & oaks. Owner will consider some financing with good down payment, \$10,000. Call Stephanie M. Area 6

DIAMONDHEAD EFFECIENCY - Furnished condo at Lakeside Village! 19th hole & country club! Immaculate, single story! Neat! \$29,900. Call John Harris. Area 5

PARK LIKE GROUNDS! 1/2 block from beach! 3BR/3BA, family & living room with fireplace. Large washroom, 2 extra rooms could be bedrooms. Call Billy Ray or Bobbye, \$119,500.

SELLER WILL PAY ALL CLOSING COST for full offer. Hook up to sewage & water plus new frig. Remodeled 2BR/1BA, C/A, fresh paint. Call Jackie, \$59,000. Area 3

OFF THE BEACH, WAVELAND - Cute 3 bedroom, 1 bath home with central air/heat, den! Approx. 1438 sq.ft., fenced yard & home warranty, \$55,000. Call John Harris. #82414.

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANGOCK COUNTY, MISSISS Y LETELLIER, PLAINTIPF

DIANE M. DEAN, ETALS, DEFENDANTS

DIANE M. DEAN, ETALS, DEFENDANTS
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CASE NO. 97-881
TO: Diane M. Dean and W. S. Smith whose last
known address, both post office and street address, is
unknown after diligent search and inquiry, but whose
present address, both post office and street address, is
unknown after diligent search and inquiry; and if deed
the unknown heirs at lew of Diane M. Dean and W. S.⁵
Smith, whose post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent setterch and inquiry; and any other
persons having or dismining any legal or equitable interpersons having or claiming any legal or equitable inter est in the following lands: Lot 35, Block 2, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Unit 5, Hen

Lot 35, Block 2, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Unit 5, Hencock County. Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancey. Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You have been made defendants in the tewsuit filed in this Court by Rudy Lesellier, Complainent, whose address is of o David M. Necales, Esc., 808 Highway 90 East, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

The complaint filed against you has intiteted a civil suit alleging ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer either admittion or deriving each alleging.

written answer either admitting or denying each allega-tion in the Complaint to Devid M. Necales, Plaintiff's At-

formey, whose address is 806 Highway 90 East, Bay St. YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIV-ERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 1ST DAY OF JANUARY, 1998, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS.

OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS, IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MANLED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of you Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and seel of said Court, this 29th day of December, 1997.

(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR CLERK OF THE COURT

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPH
DUPRE J. LAPOINT, JR.
JAMES JOSEPH LAPOINT, PETITIONERS

HEIRS AT LAW OF DUPRE J. LAPOINT, DECEASED, DEFENDANTS CASE NO. 970969
TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF DUPRE J. LAPOINT,

DECEASED, (other than Petitioners), whose names, post office and street addresses, are unknown after dil-

post office and street addresses, are unknown after dil-gent search and inquiry.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock A.M. on the 11th day of February, 1998, in the Cour-troom of the Nancock County Court Annex at 308 High-way 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other plead-ing, but you may do so if you desire. ing, but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this the 31 day of Dec., 1997

CHANCERY CLERK BY MANDI AHLERS DEPUTY CLERK 1-8; 1-15; 1-22-98

Public Notice

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S

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NOTICE OF BALE
WHEREAS, on August 10, 1994, Deborsh Susan
Mohall secured a certain deed of trust to Edwin T Coter, Trustee for the benefit of Sunburst Microgage Cor-poration which deed of trust to direct to the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Missis-sippi in Book 418, Page 377 and;
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently as-

WHEREAS, said Deed of I mat was subsequently adjunded to Sanndard Moragage Corporation by Instrument dated November 1, 1995 and recorded in Book 453 at Page 277 of the storesaid Chenosy Clerk's office, and WHEREAS, Standard Mortgage Corporation has heretofore substituted J. Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument date 1 December 8, 1997 and recorded in the storesaid Chenosry Clerk's Office in Book 499, Page 480° and

480; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Standard Mongage Corporation, the legal holder of said indebtechess, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute which the terms of said lend and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums and Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell

aaid deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of falls.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trussee in said deed of trust, will on January 23, 1996 offer for sale at public outcry and hell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) arther main door of the Country Courthouse of Hancock Country, located at Bay St. Louis to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock Country, State of Mississippi, to-wit: LOTS 23, 28 and 27, Block 9, WAVELAND PARK SUBDIVISION, City of Warveland, Hancock County. SUBDIVISION, City of Waveland, Hancock County. Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on December 18, 1997 J. Gary Massey SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE for Standard Mortgage Corporation 1-1; 1-8; 1-15, 1-22-98

TRUSTEE'S. NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS Ruddy LeBlanc and Maryline LeBlanc
executed a Deed of Trust to Tower-Loen of Mississippi,
inc. dos Tower-Loen of Popharville as beneficiary, with
Jack R., Lee as Trustee, which Deed of Trust is deted
June 17, 1993 and recorded in Book 390 at Page 366 in
the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County,
Mississippin and

Mississippi; and WHEREAS default having been made in the payment under said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared due and payable in ac-cordance with the terms thereof, and the holder of that

cordance with the terms thereof, and the holder of that Déad of Trust having called upon me as Trustee to exe-cute the trust and make foreclosure thereof according to law and the terms of said Deed of Trust; NOW THEREFORE, I Jack R. Lee, Trustee, do hereby give notice that I will offer for sele and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described heal properly at the East Door of the Courthouse of Hen-cock County, Mississippi at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi on January 30, 1998 during legal hours, such properly lyng and being situated in Hancock County, Missis-sippi, and more perticularly described as follows: Lot 6, Square 728, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVI-SION, UNIT 11, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per SION, UNIT 11, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi I shall convey only such title as is vested in me as

Dated this 26th day of December, 1997. Jack R. Lee, Trustee P.O. Box 6000 Jackson, MS 39288-6000

1-8; 1-15; 1-22; 1-29-98

John $M^cDonald$

REALTY

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL SALES LEASING AND MANAGEMENT 467-5500 117 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, MS.

FOR SALE

FAR A GOD SU DIVISION: PRIME BUILDING SITES NEAR WAVELAND BEACH.

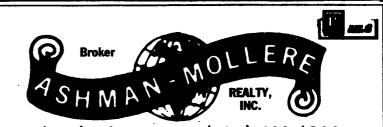
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LARGE SECTION OF EXCELLENT COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL RENTALS

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2 STORY CARRIAGE HOME: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, built in kitchen with appliances. Fireplace, hardwood floors, high ceilings, 2 blocks from beach in Pass Christian. Large room for office, \$1,500.

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, built-in kitchen, large enclosed porch, excellent neighborhood. Sandyhook, P.C. \$650.



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OPEN HOUSE! OPEN HOUSE! OPEN HOUSE! Sunday, January 11, 12:00 to 2:00 -114 Austin Lane, Bay St. Louis. Cute Cottage in Cedar Point! 2-bedroom/ 1 bath with hardwood floors and unique floor plan. Small utility room and screened shed in back yard. Reduced to \$30,000.

ing the beach. All of this sits on a large lot that would be perfect for your family. Listed at \$65,000. (3B3) EXECUTIVE NEW HOME! Approximately 2,100+ sq. ft. of living area, 4

WALK TO THE BEACH! 3 bedroom/ 2 bath home with a sun room fac-

bedroom/ 3 bath, garage, high roof line, extra large deck. Interior being finished now! \$149,900 (3B8) BEAUTIFUL HOME ON WAVELAND AVENUE!! Only 4 years old, 3

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SSC Students of the Month

St. Stanislaus November Students of the Month are, top row from left, sophomore Brandon Lewis, junior Chris Fine, freshman Patrick Clark, and sixth grader Louis West; bottom row, eighth grader Drew Cranford, seventh grader Chase Garcia, and senior Olan Suthivej.

Coast youth concerts set in January

The Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra will present four concerts for the youth of the Gulf Coast area Thursday, Jan 29 and Friday, Jan. 30 at the Saenger Theatre for the Performing Arts in Biloxi at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each each.

Each performance is approximately one hour. Because of the response to earlier announcements, there are only 53 openings for the 9 a.m. concert Jan. 30. All other concerts are filled:

This is a change in times and number of days from previous years and was made to accommodate as many students as possible and to make logistics easier. These performances are for students in grades one through eight.

Principals and music directors of Gulf Coast schools are encouraged to contact Harneitha Hazey, 104 East Azalea Dr., Long Beach, MS 39560,

phone 863-3913 at the earliest possible date to make reservations for the number of students and escorts who plan to attend.

Fee is \$1 per student, however, no student will be denied entrance due to lack of funds. Adult escorts, teachers and drivers will be admitted at no charge. Seating will be on a first-come basis, except that there will be a reserved section for the handicapped.

Sally Mae's online scholarship service helps students find funds for college

Students and their families seeking relief from costly tuition expenses now have a new option to help search for college money: Sallie Mae's free Online Scholarship Service, available through www.salliemae.com.

In partnership with ED-TECH, INC., Sallie Mae recently introduced the Online Scholarship Service which gives individuals exclusive access to the College Aid Sources for Higher Education (CASHE) financial aid resource.

Used by students, parents, and high school guidance counselors for more than 18 years, CASHE is one of the largest, most recognized private financial aid resources available.

The CASHE database contains information about all types of funding sources, including scholarships, fellowships, grants and work-study programs.

"The CASHE Student Profile Form contains the greatest number of selection criteria of any scholarship service available online," said Jane Trevisan, vice president, marketing and sales, Sallie Mae.

"This online service provides information on college funding that is not only comprehensive, but regularly updated by ED-TECH. I am certain many individuals will find it an invaluable feature of our Web site"

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To access the scholarship service, individuals log on to
www.salliemae.com and choose

the Online Scholarship Search option. After a short introduction, users will be prompted to complete an online version of the CASHE Student Profile Form, which contains questions about academics, family background, career interests, extracurricular activities, work experience, college plans, and their parents' activities.

Once the form is completed and submitted, students' qualities are immediately compared with available financial aid options. Within 24 hours, search results will be processed and electronically transmitted to students.

Individuals will receive information on awards for which they are eligible, enabling them to apply for those opportunities for which they quality. This feature alone saves time for both the student and the organization offering the award.

In addition to the Online Scholarship Service, Sallie Mae's award-winning Web site includes Financial Aid (101, a multi-media tutorial on paying for college; seven interactive calculators that help estimate everything from Expected Family Contribution to cost of tuition; a glossary of key financial aid terms; a list of banks and credit unions offering low-cost student loans; on-line account access; downloadable software and more.

For information about Sallie
Mae's Online Scholarship Service, log on to

www.salliemae.com. Questions about the CASHE data base should be directed to 1-800-462-2743.

To speak with a financial aid expert about various college financing issues, call the College Answer hotline at 1-800-891-4599

Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Matthew B. A. Matulich, intend to make application for an On-premises retailer permit as provided for by the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws Section 67-1-1 et. seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such permit, I propose to operate as a sole owner under the tradename of The Blue Parrot Restaurant located at 200 South Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS of Hancock County.

The name(s), title(s), and address(es) of the owner(s)/partners/corporate officer(s) and/or majority stockholder(s) of the above named business are Matthew Bruce Alan Matulich, Proprietor, 115 Washington St., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

This the 6th day of Jan.,

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Tips On Writing EFFECTIVE Classified Ads

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sion. asked. "What happens now? The agenda has been sent out. We were supposed to meet Thursday.'

Jones and the mayor replied there was no reason to meet Thursday.

"In the eyes of the state, this board does not exist." said McDonald.

McDonald later gave the

Echo a review of events that transpired that led up to the formation of the Port and Harbor Commission

He explained in May of 1986, then-Mayor Jake Erwin formed the Pass Christian Harbor Advisory Committee, "strictly as an advisory committee to the mayor and Board of Aldermen. The committee was composed of two commercial fishermen. two who represented pleasure boaters, and three other members from various walks of life.

That committee operated until March 20, 1990, when then-Mayor Ted Lawyer and the Board of Aldermen passed an ordinance creating a seven-member Port and Harbor Commission. The seven serve stag-

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and all of the workers."

The all-steel barge will be 260 feet in length, with a 50-foot beam and a 15-foot depth. The barge will consist of a hull, crew accommodations for four, generations, and other associated

gering terms, and have been recommending policy and guiding improvements at the Municipal Harbor for the last seven years.

Bode spoke in defense of Lawyer, and said, "I don't think he was trying to do anything against the law."

Alderman Margaret Jean Kalif also came to the defense of the present Commission, noting they had worked tirelessly to improve port conditions. She thanked the Commission for their input over the years.

McDonald told Aldermen he will study the situation before making recommendations, although he seemed to be leaning toward formation of a committee rather than seeking legislation to create a Commission.

He said the committee under the Erwin administration was "a board of recommendation,

not a policy-making board." In the meantime, McDonald said his administration will take over daily business at the harbor. J.J. LaSabbe serves as harbormaster at the mayor and Board's request, and will remain in that position. Any action affecting the harbor would still require a recommendation by the mayor and approval by aldermen, he said.

"I want to take a long, hard look at this thing," McDonald later told the Echo.

The mayor said he wanted to get input from fishermen, wholesalers, pleasure boaters, and everyone involved with the harbor.

"It might take three or four months," said McDonald.

The turmoil comes at a time when Pass Christian is embarked on major improvements at the harbor, financed by state

received another \$300,000 in Tidelands funds, which are earmarked to begin shoring up the eastern wall and roadway at the

"We'll still steer the course (on improvements)," McDonald said. "This will not slow things

Contract

These boys from Lakeshore, Kiln, Bay St. Louis, Waveland and the county are all good people," May said. "They are all hard-working people and proud of their product.

"I would put these 400 workers up against any other 800 workers around the county."

May said the project will not add any new jobs, but will help maintain stability for the 400 jobs at the Port Bienville site. The barge construction is ex-

pected to take 75,000 manhours, he said.

"You always love to have the government as your partner in business," he said. "We are very familiar with (NASA projects)."

"Once NASA found out Gulf Coast Fabrication was going to be (the Halter Marine) construction site, they were excited," he added. "We are noted for high quality work. It's a credit to Gulf Coast Fabrication

equipment required for service.

Gulf Coast Fabrication recently completed an extensive overhaul of another NASA barge utilized for fuel tank transportation.

Sheriff

The burlgaries had people of the NTF's original members. alarmed," Peterson said. "But I think we solved this.

"Since the arrests (of the four suspects), the burglaries have dwindled to hardly anything."

Peterson admitted drugs are an increasing problem, but said Pearlington is no worse than any other part of the county. In Pearlington, he said, the problem is confined to Seventh Street, where it believed drug dealers are operating off of street corners.

Peterson said the scenario is similar to the drug dealing activity that once plagued Bay St. Louis at the corner of St. Francis and Sycamore streets.

The sheriff said he hopes better deployment of the county's Narcotics Task Force will help curtail the activity. Peterson was a strong vocal proponent last year of disbanding the NTF, which is comprised of officers from all three county law enforcement agences. At the time, Peterson said too much of the agency's focus was in the cities of Waveland and Bay St. Louis and not enough in the outlying county areas, such as

Pearlington. Recently, however. Shane Corr was named the NTF's fulltime director to replace Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell, who was attempting to juggle his responsibilities to Waveland and provide guidance to the NTF. Varnell is one

"I was not satisfied with the way the NTF was operating," Peterson said. "One of the stipulations (in the sheriff's agreement to continue in the NTF) is that they target Kiln, Pearlington, Dedeaux, Standard and all

of the other areas of the county. "People will begin to see better results and we feel like we will curtail the drug activity in the future. People don't understand that we have certain procedures we have to follow to apprehend someone. You must have probable cause."

Peterson admitted that Pearlington's proximity to the Louisiana state line, which is only a few miles away, poses a unique obstacle. He said his office and the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office work well together, but a communication problem does exist because officers from the agencies are not in radio

"It's difficult when vou're talking about two different states and we don't have radio contact." Peterson said.

He said citizens would like to have a full-time deputy station in Pearlington 24 hours a day, but a lack of resources makes that cost prohibitive. Additionally, Peterson said once the drug activity is corralled, burglaries will also decrease since the two are part-and-parcel of

each other. The sheriff said of the 135 inmates currently housed in the Hancock County Justice Facility, 80 percent are there on

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drug-related charges. Peterson said he will answer any questions citizens may have tonight, but insisted his office and the residents must work together if they are to be successful in making Pearlington streets safer:

Tidelands funds.

Already, some \$425,000 has been spent shoring up pilings, upgrading water and electrical systems, lighting, paving parking lots and constructing a new harbormaster's building. And, just last week, Pass Christian habor.



Family

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that, but her group was determined not to allow a proliferation of trailers on Chapman, which is the only entrance into the Garden Isles Subdivision. Property owners vowed to go all the way to Circuit Court if a special exception is allowed after another public hearing.

The Perez family told supervisors they were in a quandary. They purchased four lots on Chapman between Ann and Beverly streets in July of 1996 when no zoning was in effect and were told trailers would be allowed

Mrs. Perez said she wanted to live next door to her mother, whose trailer sits at the corner of Chapman and Beverly. She said after getting the special exception, the family put a doublewide trailer on the lot, sunk a well and tied into city sewerage.

"It looks like a house. We're not trying to turn it (the area) into a mobile home subdivision," said Mrs. Perez. She said the family lost "almost everything" in the recent fire that destroyed portions of a ministorage facility in Waveland, but managed to move into the new double-wide trailer Nov. 11, five days after the Planning Commission ruling.

Neil Smith, the county's zoning enforcement officer, was called into the discussion and said he warned the family that they might have to remove the trailer if citizens were successful in their appeal to supervisors or to Circuit Court.

Smith said he toured the area prior to the Planning Commission's public hearing and noted that trailer homes were located all over Chapman from the entrance on Longfellow Drive almost to the Garden Isles Subdivison.

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the original application listed one address where the trailer would go, but it went on another lot. The Perez family also petitioned to put a regular size trailer on the lot, but after the public hearing was granted permission to put the double-wide trailer on the site.

Referring to the family's dilemma, District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour said, "This is a bad thing." He seconded District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman's motion to deny the application and remand it back to the Planning Commission. The motion passed 5-0.

A new public hearing will have to be advertised and scheduled before the Planning Commission, and the Perez family will be stuck in limbo pending further appeals if their special exception is again approved.

Supervisors were scheduled to conduct another public hearing on citizens' appeal of a Planning Commission decision that approved the location of a 200-foot communications tower near a residential neighborhood on Paradise Lane.

However, at the request of the builder, DiGiPh Communications of Mobile, supervisors tabled the matter in order to give all sides times to reach a compromise on the tower's location.

CARS . TRUCKS . BOATS AIRPLANES . MOTORCYCLES

The Sea Coast Echo needs the ingredients for great new cookbook made up of recipes from you,

our readers. This keepsake edition will be published Thursday, February 19, 1998.

Any person's recipe selected for publication will receive a free Sea Coast Echo Coffee Mug. (Limit one coffee mug per household)

Attention Parents and Children:

In addition to regular cookbook categories, we are including a section on How Kids Cook. Send us your child's favorite recipe today!

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